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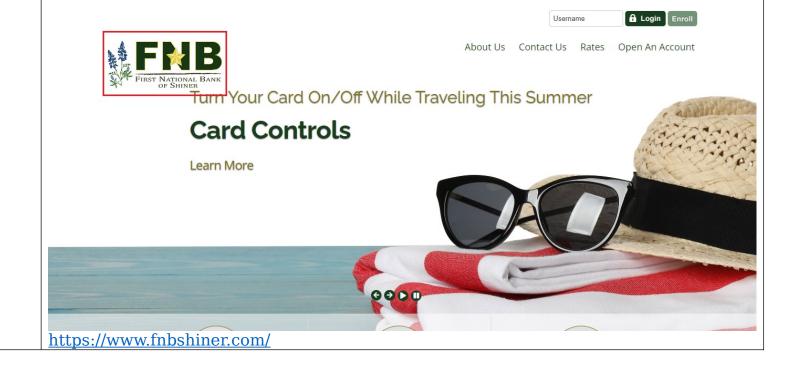
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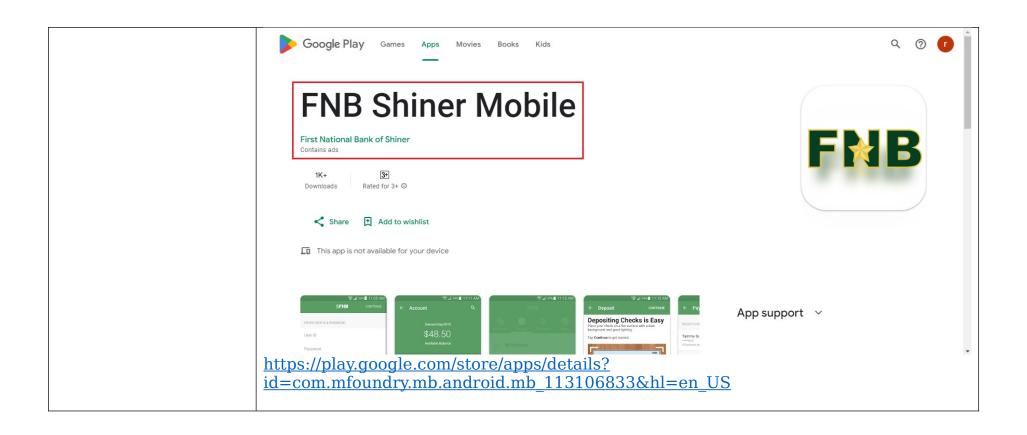
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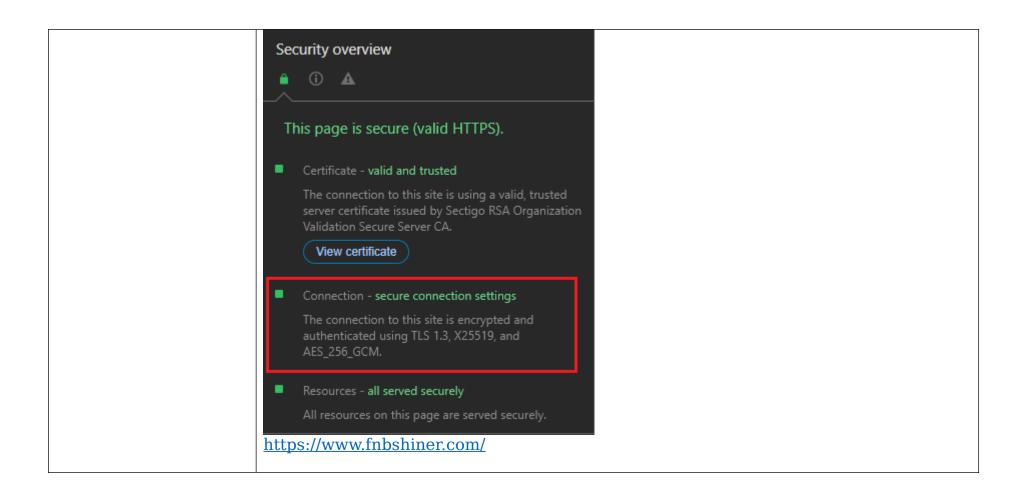
The accused instrumentality practices a method for a recursive security protocol (e.g., TLS 1.3 security protocol) for protecting digital content (e.g., digital certificate related to the accused instrumentality).

The accused instrumentality utilizes TLS 1.3 security protocol (hereinafter "the standard") for communicating content such as digital certificate, application data, etc., with a client. The standard provides a two-level encryption security. It encrypts a plaintext with a first encryption technique and generates a ciphertext. Further, it encrypts the ciphertext with a second encryption technique i.e., recursive encryption security.









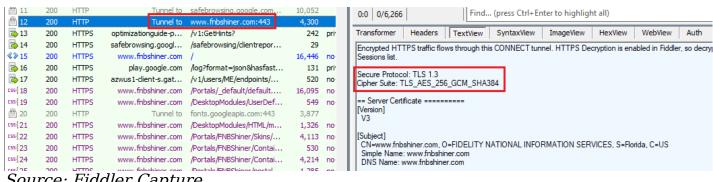
# The Transport Layer Security (TLS) Protocol Version 1.3

#### Abstract

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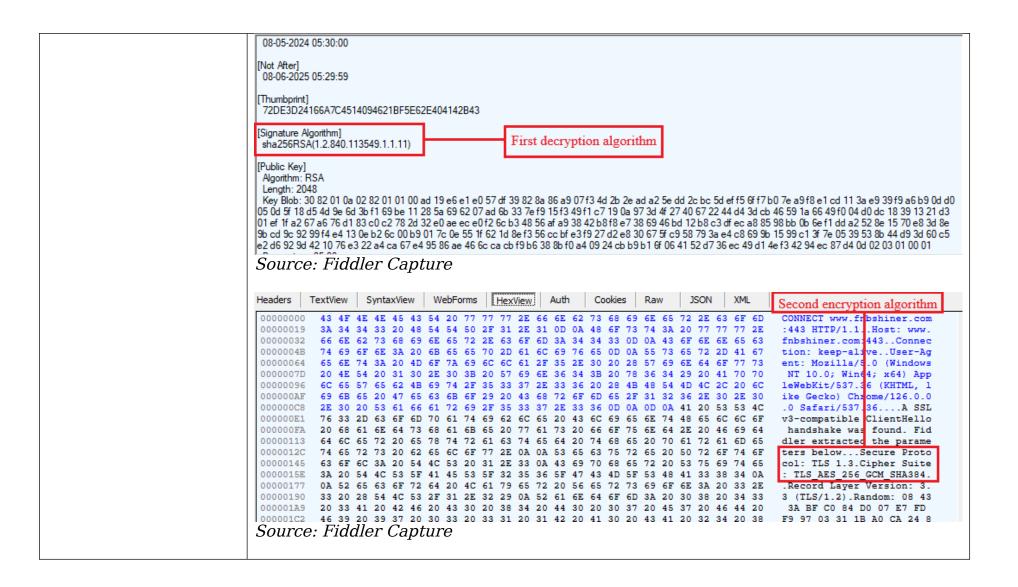
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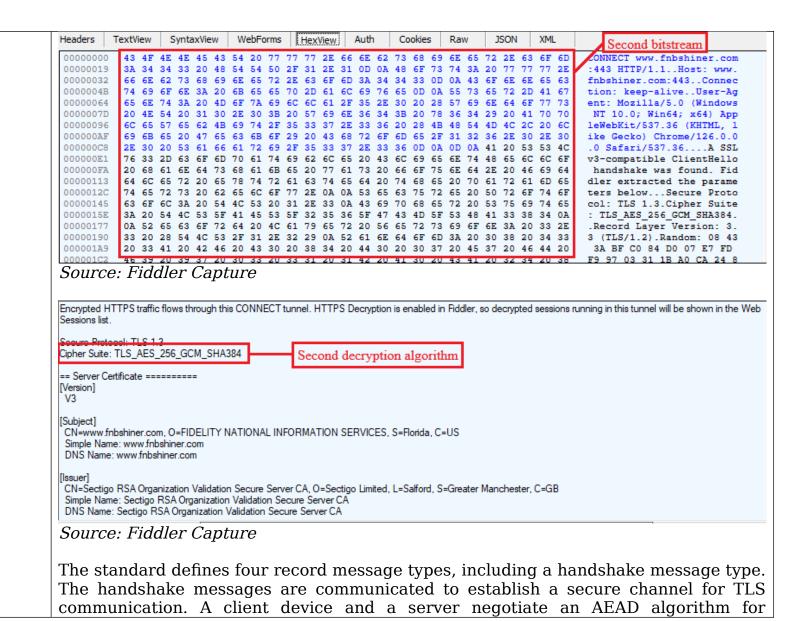
As shown below, the accused instrumentality utilizes a two-level algorithm security. It utilizes the SHA256RSA encryption algorithm as a first encryption algorithm i.e., signature encryption algorithm and the TLS AES 256 GCM SHA384 encryption algorithm as a second encryption algorithm i.e., AEAD encryption algorithm.



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encrypting TLS record message data. It discloses that after Hello handshake messages i.e., a ClientHello message and a ServerHello message, all handshake messages are encrypted with the negotiated encryption algorithm. One of the handshake messages after hello handshake messages i.e., an authentication message from the client, comprises a digital certificate encrypted by a signature encryption algorithm and a certificate verify message comprising information related to the signature decryption algorithm.

As shown below, the digital certificate is encrypted with the signature encryption algorithm and the certificate verify message, associated with the encrypted digital certificate, has a signature algorithm extension field that provides information related to the signature decryption algorithm. The authentication message is a TLS plaintext handshake message. This message is again encrypted with the negotiated AEAD encryption algorithm, e.g., recursive security protocol. The AEAD encrypted message is communicated between the client and the server.

## Record Protocol

The <u>TLS</u> record protocol takes messages to be transmitted, fragments the data into manageable blocks, protects the records, and transmits the result. Received data is verified, decrypted, reassembled, and then delivered to higher-level clients.

TLS records are typed, which allows multiple higher-level protocols to be multiplexed over the same record layer. This document specifies four content types: handshake, application\_data, alert, and change\_cipher\_spec. The change\_cipher\_spec record is used only for compatibility purposes (see <a href="Appendix D.4">Appendix D.4</a>).

## 2. Protocol Overview

Negotiating encryption algorithm

The cryptographic parameters used by the secure channel are produced by the TLS handshake protocol. This sub-protocol of TLS is used by the client and server when first communicating with each other. The handshake protocol allows peers to negotiate a protocol version, select cryptographic algorithms, optionally authenticate each other, and establish shared secret keying material. Once the handshake is complete, the peers use the established keys to protect the application-layer traffic.

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TLS consists of two primary components:

- A handshake protocol (<u>Section 4</u>) that authenticates the communicating parties, <u>negotiates cryptographic modes and parameters</u>, and establishes shared keying material. The handshake protocol is designed to resist tampering, an active attacker should not be able to force the peers to negotiate different parameters than they would if the connection were not under attack.

  Negotiating encryption algos
- A record protocol (<u>Section 5</u>) that uses the parameters established by the handshake protocol to protect traffic between the communicating peers. The record protocol divides traffic up into a series of records, each of which is independently protected using the traffic keys.

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All handshake messages after the ServerHello are now encrypted. The newly introduced EncryptedExtensions message allows various extensions previously sent in the clear in the ServerHello to also enjoy confidentiality protection.

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## <u>4.4</u>. Authentication Messages

As discussed in <u>Section 2</u>, TLS generally uses a common set of messages for authentication, key confirmation, and handshake integrity: Certificate, CertificateVerify, and Finished. (The PSK binders also perform key confirmation, in a similar fashion.) These three messages are always sent as the last messages in their handshake flight. The Certificate and CertificateVerify messages are only sent under certain circumstances, as defined below. The Finished message is always sent as part of the Authentication Block. These messages are encrypted under keys derived from the [sender] handshake\_traffic\_secret.

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Figure 1 below shows the basic full TLS handshake:
        Client
                                                           Server
 Key ^ ClientHello
 Exch | + key_share*
        + signature_algorithms*
        + psk_key_exchange_modes*
      v + pre_shared_key*
                                                     ServerHello ^ Key
                                                    + key_share*
                                                                  | Exch
                                               + pre_shared_key*
                                           {EncryptedExtensions}
                                                                  ^ Server
                                           {CertificateRequest*}
                                                                  v Params
                                                  {Certificate*}
                                            {CertificateVerify*}
                                                                    Auth
    Digital Content
                                                      {Finished}
                                             [Application Data*]
      ^ {Certificate*}
 Auth | {CertificateVerify*}
      v {Finished}
         [Application Data]
                                 <----> [Application Data]
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```

## <u>4.1.1</u>. Cryptographic Negotiation

In TLS, the cryptographic negotiation proceeds by the client offering the following four sets of options in its ClientHello:

- A list of cipher suites which indicates the AEAD algorithm/HKDF hash pairs which the client supports.

A "supported\_groups" (<u>Section 4.2.7</u>) extension which indicates the (EC)DHE groups which the client supports and a "key\_share" (<u>Section 4.2.8</u>) extension which contains (EC)DHE shares for some or all of these groups.

- A "signature\_algorithms" (<u>Section 4.2.3</u>) extension which indicates the signature algorithms which the client can accept. A "signature\_algorithms\_cert" extension (<u>Section 4.2.3</u>) may also be added to indicate certificate-specific signature algorithms.
  - A "pre\_shared\_key" (<u>Section 4.2.11</u>) extension which contains a list of symmetric key identities known to the client and a "psk\_key\_exchange\_modes" (<u>Section 4.2.9</u>) extension which indicates the key exchange modes that may be used with PSKs.

## 4.4.2. Certificate

This message conveys the endpoint's certificate chain to the peer.

The server MUST send a Certificate message whenever the agreed-upon key exchange method uses certificates for authentication (this includes all key exchange methods defined in this document except PSK).

The client MUST send a Certificate message if and only if the server has requested client authentication via a CertificateRequest message (Section 4.3.2). If the server requests client authentication but no suitable certificate is available, the client MUST send a Certificate message containing no certificates (i.e., with the "certificate\_list" field having length 0). A Finished message MUST be sent regardless of whether the Certificate message is empty.

## 4.4.2.3. Client Certificate Selection

The following rules apply to certificates sent by the client:

- The certificate type MUST be X.509v3 [RFC5280], unless explicitly negotiated otherwise (e.g., [RFC7250]).
- If the "certificate\_authorities" extension in the CertificateRequest message was present, at least one of the certificates in the certificate chain SHOULD be issued by one of the listed CAs.
- The certificates MUST be signed using an acceptable signature algorithm, as described in <u>Section 4.3.2</u>. Note that this relaxes the constraints on certificate-signing algorithms found in prior versions of TLS.
- If the CertificateRequest message contained a non-empty "oid\_filters" extension, the end-entity certificate MUST match the extension OIDs that are recognized by the client, as described in Section 4.2.5.

## 4.4.3. Certificate Verify

This message is used to provide explicit proof that an endpoint possesses the private key corresponding to its certificate. The CertificateVerify message also provides integrity for the handshake up to this point. Servers MUST send this message when authenticating via a certificate. Clients MUST send this message whenever authenticating via a certificate (i.e., when the Certificate message is non-empty). When sent, this message MUST appear immediately after the Certificate message and immediately prior to the Finished message.

Structure of this message:

```
struct {
    SignatureScheme algorithm;
    opaque signature<0..2^16-1>;
} CertificateVerify;
```

The algorithm field specifies the signature algorithm used (see Section 4.2.3 for the definition of this type). The signature is a digital signature using that algorithm. The content that is covered under the signature is the hash output as described in Section 4.4.1, namely:

## 4.3.2. Certificate Request

A server which is authenticating with a certificate MAY optionally request a certificate from the client. This message, if sent, MUST follow EncryptedExtensions.

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Structure of this message:
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```
struct {
    opaque certificate_request_context<0..2^8-1>;
    Extension extensions<2..2^16-1>;
} CertificateRequest;
```

certificate\_request\_context: An opaque string which identifies the certificate request and which will be echoed in the client's Certificate message. The certificate\_request\_context MUST be unique within the scope of this connection (thus preventing replay of client CertificateVerify messages). This field SHALL be zero length unless used for the post-handshake authentication exchanges described in <a href="Section 4.6.2">Section 4.6.2</a>. When requesting post-handshake authentication, the server SHOULD make the context unpredictable to the client (e.g., by randomly generating it) in order to prevent an attacker who has temporary access to the client's private key from pre-computing valid CertificateVerify messages.

extensions: A set of extensions describing the parameters of the certificate being requested. The "signature\_algorithms" extension MUST be specified, and other extensions may optionally be included if defined for this message. Clients MUST ignore unrecognized extensions.

If sent by a client, the signature algorithm used in the signature MUST be one of those present in the supported\_signature\_algorithms field of the "signature\_algorithms" extension in the CertificateRequest message.

In addition, the signature algorithm MUST be compatible with the key in the sender's end-entity certificate. RSA signatures MUST use an RSASSA-PSS algorithm, regardless of whether RSASSA-PKCS1-v1\_5 algorithms appear in "signature\_algorithms". The SHA-1 algorithm MUST NOT be used in any signatures of CertificateVerify messages.

# 4.2.3. Signature Algorithms

TLS 1.3 provides two extensions for indicating which signature algorithms may be used in digital signatures. The "signature\_algorithms\_cert" extension applies to signatures in certificates, and the "signature\_algorithms" extension, which originally appeared in TLS 1.2, applies to signatures in CertificateVerify messages. The keys found in certificates MUST also be of appropriate type for the signature algorithms they are used with. This is a particular issue for RSA keys and PSS signatures, as described below. If no "signature algorithms cert" extension is present, then the "signature\_algorithms" extension also applies to signatures appearing in certificates. Clients which desire the server to authenticate itself via a certificate MUST send the "signature\_algorithms" extension. If a server is authenticating via a certificate and the client has not sent a "signature\_algorithms" extension, then the server MUST abort the handshake with a "missing\_extension" alert (see <a href="Section 9.2">Section 9.2</a>).

The "signature\_algorithms\_cert" extension was added to allow implementations which supported different sets of algorithms for certificates and in TLS itself to clearly signal their capabilities. TLS 1.2 implementations SHOULD also process this extension. Implementations which have the same policy in both cases MAY omit the "signature\_algorithms\_cert" extension.

```
The "extension_data" field of these extensions contains a
SignatureSchemeList value:
   enum {
       /* RSASSA-PKCS1-v1_5 algorithms */
       rsa_pkcs1_sha256(0x0401),
       rsa_pkcs1_sha384(0x0501),
       rsa_pkcs1_sha512(0x0601),
       /* ECDSA algorithms */
       ecdsa_secp256r1_sha256(0x0403),
       ecdsa_secp384r1_sha384(0x0503),
       ecdsa_secp521r1_sha512(0x0603),
       /* RSASSA-PSS algorithms with public key OID rsaEncryption */
       rsa_pss_rsae_sha256(0x0804),
       rsa_pss_rsae_sha384(0x0805),
       rsa_pss_rsae_sha512(0x0806),
       /* EdDSA algorithms */
       ed25519(0x0807),
       ed448(0x0808),
       /* RSASSA-PSS algorithms with public key OID RSASSA-PSS */
       rsa_pss_pss_sha256(0x0809),
       rsa_pss_pss_sha384(0x080a),
       rsa_pss_pss_sha512(0x080b),
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### Introduction

The primary goal of TLS is to provide a secure channel between two communicating peers; the only requirement from the underlying transport is a reliable, in-order data stream. Specifically, the secure channel should provide the following properties:

Authentication: The server side of the channel is always authenticated; the client side is optionally authenticated.
 Authentication can happen via asymmetric cryptography (e.g., RSA [RSA], the Elliptic Curve Digital Signature Algorithm (ECDSA) [ECDSA], or the Edwards-Curve Digital Signature Algorithm (EdDSA) [RFC8032]) or a symmetric pre-shared key (PSK).

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- Confidentiality: Data sent over the channel after establishment is only visible to the endpoints. TLS does not hide the length of the data it transmits, though endpoints are able to pad TLS records in order to obscure lengths and improve protection against traffic analysis techniques.
- Integrity: Data sent over the channel after establishment cannot be modified by attackers without detection.

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## <u>5.1</u>. Record Layer

The record layer fragments information blocks into TLSPlaintext records carrying data in chunks of 2^14 bytes or less. Message boundaries are handled differently depending on the underlying ContentType. Any future content types MUST specify appropriate rules. Note that these rules are stricter than what was enforced in TLS 1.2.

Handshake messages MAY be coalesced into a single TLSPlaintext record or fragmented across several records, provided that:

- Handshake messages MUST NOT be interleaved with other record types. That is, if a handshake message is split over two or more records, there MUST NOT be any other records between them.

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## 5.2. Record Payload Protection

The record protection functions translate a TLSPlaintext structure into a TLSCiphertext structure. The deprotection functions reverse the process. In TLS 1.3, as opposed to previous versions of TLS, all ciphers are modeled as "Authenticated Encryption with Associated Data" (AEAD) [RFC5116]. AEAD functions provide a unified encryption and authentication operation which turns plaintext into authenticated ciphertext and back again. Each encrypted record consists of a plaintext header followed by an encrypted body, which itself contains a type and optional padding.

AEAD algorithms take as input a single key, a nonce, a plaintext, and "additional data" to be included in the authentication check, as described in <a href="Section 2.1 of [RFC5116]">Section 2.1 of [RFC5116]</a>. The key is either the client\_write\_key or the server\_write\_key, the nonce is derived from the sequence number and the client\_write\_iv or server\_write\_iv (see <a href="Section 5.3">Section 5.3</a>), and the additional data input is the record header.

I.e.,

The AEAD approach enables applications that need cryptographic security services to more easily adopt those services. It benefits the application designer by allowing them to focus on important issues such as security services, canonicalization, and data marshaling, and relieving them of the need to design crypto mechanisms that meet their security goals. Importantly, the security of an AEAD algorithm can be analyzed independent from its use in a particular application. This property frees the user of the AEAD of the need to consider security aspects such as the relative order of authentication and encryption and the security of the particular combination of cipher and MAC, such as the potential loss of

confidentiality through the MAC. The application designer that uses the AEAD interface need not select a particular AEAD algorithm during the design stage. Additionally, the interface to the AEAD is relatively simple, since it requires only a single key as input and requires only a single identifier to indicate the algorithm in use in a particular case.

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## **2.1**. Authenticated Encryption

The <u>authenticated encryption operation has four inputs</u>, each of which is an octet string:

A <u>secret key K</u>, which MUST be generated in a way that is uniformly random or pseudorandom.

A nonce N. Each nonce provided to distinct invocations of the Authenticated Encryption operation MUST be distinct, for any particular value of the key, unless each and every nonce is zero-length. Applications that can generate distinct nonces SHOULD use the nonce formation method defined in <a href="Section 3.2">Section 3.2</a>, and MAY use any other method that meets the uniqueness requirement. Other applications SHOULD use zero-length nonces.

A plaintext P, which contains the data to be encrypted and authenticated.

The associated data A, which contains the data to be authenticated, but not encrypted.

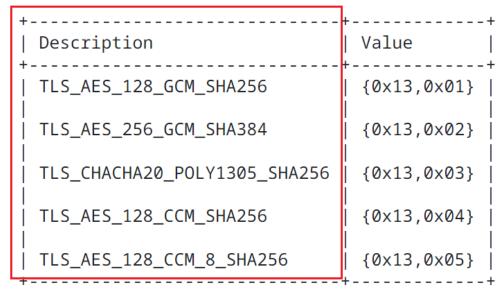
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The AEAD output consists of the ciphertext output from the AEAD encryption operation. The length of the plaintext is greater than the corresponding TLSPlaintext.length due to the inclusion of TLSInnerPlaintext.type and any padding supplied by the sender. The length of the AEAD output will generally be larger than the plaintext, but by an amount that varies with the AEAD algorithm.

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Each AEAD algorithm will specify a range of possible lengths for the per-record nonce, from N\_MIN bytes to N\_MAX bytes of input [RFC5116]. The length of the TLS per-record nonce (iv\_length) is set to the larger of 8 bytes and N\_MIN for the AEAD algorithm (see [RFC5116], Section 4). An AEAD algorithm where N\_MAX is less than 8 bytes MUST NOT be used with TLS. The per-record nonce for the AEAD construction is formed as follows: https://datatracker.ietf.org/doc/html/rfc8446#section-1

This specification defines the following cipher suites for use with TLS 1.3.

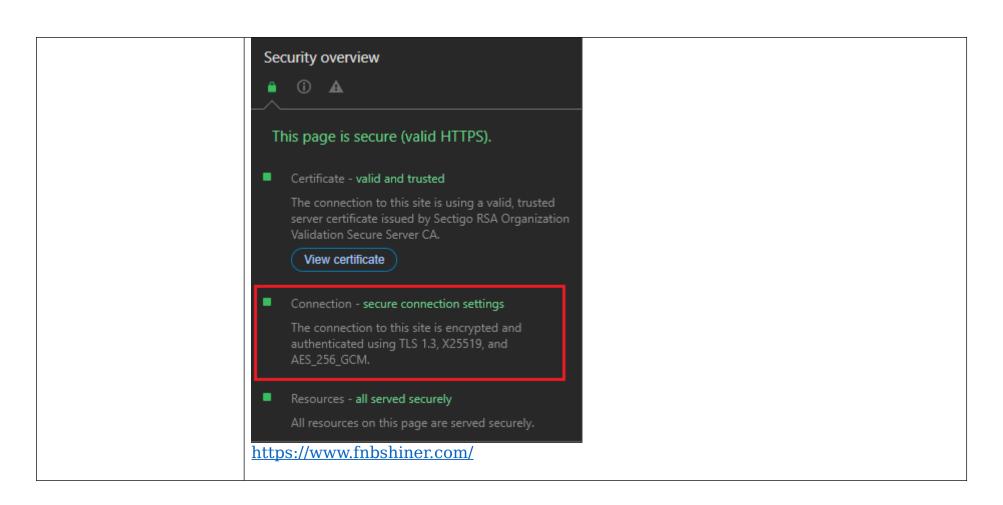


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encrypting a bitstream with a first encryption algorithm;

The standard practices encrypting a bitstream (e.g., bitstream of digital certificate) with a first encryption algorithm (e.g., signature encryption algorithm i.e., SHA256RSA encryption algorithm).

The standard practices providing a two-level encryption security for data communication. It encrypts a plaintext with a first encryption technique i.e., signature encryption algorithm (e.g., SHA256RSA encryption algorithm) and generates a ciphertext.



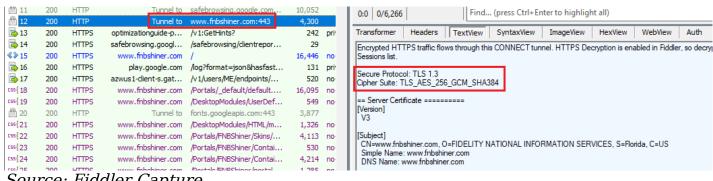
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#### Abstract

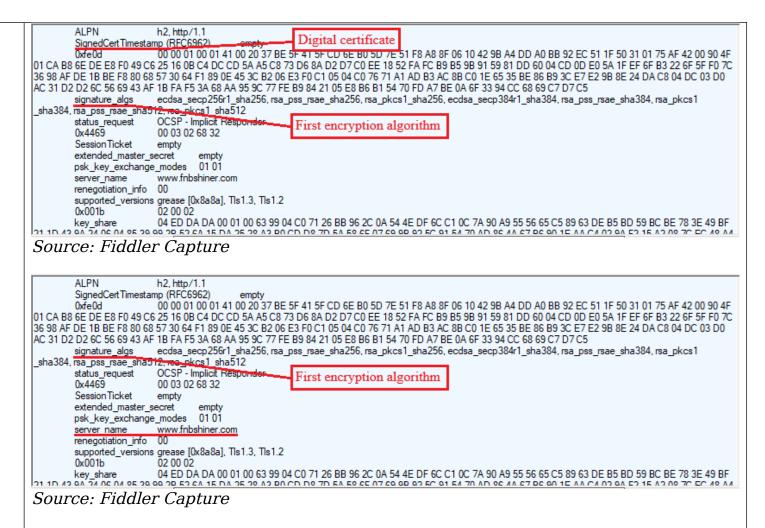
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As shown below, the accused instrumentality discloses the signature encryption algorithm.



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The standard defines four record message types, including a handshake message type. The handshake messages are communicated to establish a secure channel for TLS communication. A client device and a server negotiate an AEAD algorithm for encrypting TLS record message data. It discloses that after Hello handshake messages i.e., a ClientHello message and a ServerHello message, all handshake messages are

encrypted with the negotiated encryption algorithm. One of the handshake messages after hello handshake messages i.e., an authentication message from the client, comprises a digital certificate encrypted by a signature encryption algorithm and a certificate verify message comprising information related to the signature decryption algorithm.

As shown below, the digital certificate is encrypted with the signature encryption algorithm and the certificate verify message, associated with the encrypted digital certificate, has a signature algorithm extension field that provides information related to the signature decryption algorithm. The authentication message is a TLS plaintext handshake message. This message is again encrypted with the negotiated AEAD encryption algorithm, e.g., recursive security protocol. The AEAD encrypted message is communicated between the client and the server.

### Record Protocol

The TLS record protocol takes messages to be transmitted, fragments the data into manageable blocks, protects the records, and transmits the result. Received data is verified, decrypted, reassembled, and then delivered to higher-level clients.

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All handshake messages after the ServerHello are now encrypted. The newly introduced EncryptedExtensions message allows various extensions previously sent in the clear in the ServerHello to also enjoy confidentiality protection.

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## **4.4**. Authentication Messages

As discussed in <u>Section 2</u>, TLS generally uses a common set of messages for authentication, key confirmation, and handshake integrity: Certificate, CertificateVerify, and Finished. (The PSK binders also perform key confirmation, in a similar fashion.) These three messages are always sent as the last messages in their handshake flight. The Certificate and CertificateVerify messages are only sent under certain circumstances, as defined below. The Finished message is always sent as part of the Authentication Block. These messages are encrypted under keys derived from the [sender] handshake\_traffic\_secret.

```
Figure 1 below shows the basic full TLS handshake:
        Client
                                                           Server
 Key ^ ClientHello
 Exch | + key_share*
        + signature_algorithms*
        + psk_key_exchange_modes*
      v + pre_shared_key*
                                                     ServerHello ^ Key
                                                    + key_share*
                                                                  | Exch
                                               + pre_shared_key*
                                           {EncryptedExtensions}
                                                                  ^ Server
                                           {CertificateRequest*}
                                                                  v Params
                                                  {Certificate*}
                                            {CertificateVerify*}
                                                                    Auth
    Digital Content
                                                      {Finished}
                                             [Application Data*]
      ^ {Certificate*}
 Auth | {CertificateVerify*}
      v {Finished}
         [Application Data]
                                 <----> [Application Data]
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# <u>4.1.1</u>. Cryptographic Negotiation

In TLS, the cryptographic negotiation proceeds by the client offering the following four sets of options in its ClientHello:

- A list of cipher suites which indicates the AEAD algorithm/HKDF hash pairs which the client supports.
- A "supported\_groups" (<u>Section 4.2.7</u>) extension which indicates the (EC)DHE groups which the client supports and a "key\_share" (<u>Section 4.2.8</u>) extension which contains (EC)DHE shares for some or all of these groups.
- A "signature\_algorithms" (<u>Section 4.2.3</u>) extension which indicates the signature algorithms which the client can accept. A "signature\_algorithms\_cert" extension (<u>Section 4.2.3</u>) may also be added to indicate certificate-specific signature algorithms.
  - A "pre\_shared\_key" (<u>Section 4.2.11</u>) extension which contains a list of symmetric key identities known to the client and a "psk\_key\_exchange\_modes" (<u>Section 4.2.9</u>) extension which indicates the key exchange modes that may be used with PSKs.

### 4.4.2. Certificate

This message conveys the endpoint's certificate chain to the peer.

The server MUST send a Certificate message whenever the agreed-upon key exchange method uses certificates for authentication (this includes all key exchange methods defined in this document except PSK).

The client MUST send a Certificate message if and only if the server has requested client authentication via a CertificateRequest message (Section 4.3.2). If the server requests client authentication but no suitable certificate is available, the client MUST send a Certificate message containing no certificates (i.e., with the "certificate\_list" field having length 0). A Finished message MUST be sent regardless of whether the Certificate message is empty.

### 4.4.2.3. Client Certificate Selection

The following rules apply to certificates sent by the client:

- The certificate type MUST be X.509v3 [RFC5280], unless explicitly negotiated otherwise (e.g., [RFC7250]).
- If the "certificate\_authorities" extension in the CertificateRequest message was present, at least one of the certificates in the certificate chain SHOULD be issued by one of the listed CAs.
- The certificates MUST be signed using an acceptable signature algorithm, as described in <u>Section 4.3.2</u>. Note that this relaxes the constraints on certificate-signing algorithms found in prior versions of TLS.
- If the CertificateRequest message contained a non-empty "oid\_filters" extension, the end-entity certificate MUST match the extension OIDs that are recognized by the client, as described in Section 4.2.5.

#### 4.4.3. Certificate Verify

This message is used to provide explicit proof that an endpoint possesses the private key corresponding to its certificate. The CertificateVerify message also provides integrity for the handshake up to this point. Servers MUST send this message when authenticating via a certificate. Clients MUST send this message whenever authenticating via a certificate (i.e., when the Certificate message is non-empty). When sent, this message MUST appear immediately after the Certificate message and immediately prior to the Finished message.

Structure of this message:

```
struct {
    SignatureScheme algorithm;
    opaque signature<0..2^16-1>;
} CertificateVerify;
```

The algorithm field specifies the signature algorithm used (see Section 4.2.3 for the definition of this type). The signature is a digital signature using that algorithm. The content that is covered under the signature is the hash output as described in Section 4.4.1, namely:

### 4.3.2. Certificate Request

A server which is authenticating with a certificate MAY optionally request a certificate from the client. This message, if sent, MUST follow EncryptedExtensions.

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Structure of this message:
```

```
struct {
    opaque certificate_request_context<0..2^8-1>;
    Extension extensions<2..2^16-1>;
} CertificateRequest;
```

certificate\_request\_context: An opaque string which identifies the certificate request and which will be echoed in the client's Certificate message. The certificate\_request\_context MUST be unique within the scope of this connection (thus preventing replay of client CertificateVerify messages). This field SHALL be zero length unless used for the post-handshake authentication exchanges described in <a href="Section 4.6.2">Section 4.6.2</a>. When requesting post-handshake authentication, the server SHOULD make the context unpredictable to the client (e.g., by randomly generating it) in order to prevent an attacker who has temporary access to the client's private key from pre-computing valid CertificateVerify messages.

extensions: A set of extensions describing the parameters of the certificate being requested. The "signature\_algorithms" extension MUST be specified, and other extensions may optionally be included if defined for this message. Clients MUST ignore unrecognized extensions.

If sent by a client, the signature algorithm used in the signature MUST be one of those present in the supported\_signature\_algorithms field of the "signature\_algorithms" extension in the CertificateRequest message.

In addition, the signature algorithm MUST be compatible with the key in the sender's end-entity certificate. RSA signatures MUST use an RSASSA-PSS algorithm, regardless of whether RSASSA-PKCS1-v1\_5 algorithms appear in "signature\_algorithms". The SHA-1 algorithm MUST NOT be used in any signatures of CertificateVerify messages.

# 4.2.3. Signature Algorithms

TLS 1.3 provides two extensions for indicating which signature algorithms may be used in digital signatures. The "signature\_algorithms\_cert" extension applies to signatures in certificates, and the "signature\_algorithms" extension, which originally appeared in TLS 1.2, applies to signatures in CertificateVerify messages. The keys found in certificates MUST also be of appropriate type for the signature algorithms they are used with. This is a particular issue for RSA keys and PSS signatures, as described below. If no "signature algorithms cert" extension is present, then the "signature\_algorithms" extension also applies to signatures appearing in certificates. Clients which desire the server to authenticate itself via a certificate MUST send the "signature\_algorithms" extension. If a server is authenticating via a certificate and the client has not sent a "signature\_algorithms" extension, then the server MUST abort the handshake with a "missing\_extension" alert (see <a href="Section 9.2">Section 9.2</a>).

The "signature\_algorithms\_cert" extension was added to allow implementations which supported different sets of algorithms for certificates and in TLS itself to clearly signal their capabilities. TLS 1.2 implementations SHOULD also process this extension. Implementations which have the same policy in both cases MAY omit the "signature\_algorithms\_cert" extension.

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The "extension_data" field of these extensions contains a
SignatureSchemeList value:
   enum {
       /* RSASSA-PKCS1-v1_5 algorithms */
       rsa_pkcs1_sha256(0x0401),
       rsa_pkcs1_sha384(0x0501),
       rsa_pkcs1_sha512(0x0601),
       /* ECDSA algorithms */
       ecdsa_secp256r1_sha256(0x0403),
       ecdsa_secp384r1_sha384(0x0503),
       ecdsa_secp521r1_sha512(0x0603),
       /* RSASSA-PSS algorithms with public key OID rsaEncryption */
       rsa_pss_rsae_sha256(0x0804),
       rsa_pss_rsae_sha384(0x0805),
       rsa_pss_rsae_sha512(0x0806),
       /* EdDSA algorithms */
       ed25519(0x0807),
       ed448(0x0808),
       /* RSASSA-PSS algorithms with public key OID RSASSA-PSS */
       rsa_pss_pss_sha256(0x0809),
       rsa_pss_pss_sha384(0x080a),
       rsa_pss_pss_sha512(0x080b),
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#### Introduction

The primary goal of TLS is to provide a secure channel between two communicating peers; the only requirement from the underlying transport is a reliable, in-order data stream. Specifically, the secure channel should provide the following properties:

Authentication: The server side of the channel is always authenticated; the client side is optionally authenticated. Authentication can happen via asymmetric cryptography (e.g., RSA [RSA], the Elliptic Curve Digital Signature Algorithm (ECDSA) [ECDSA], or the Edwards-Curve Digital Signature Algorithm (EdDSA) [RFC8032]) or a symmetric pre-shared key (PSK).

First encryption

- Confidentiality: Data sent over the channel after establishment is only visible to the endpoints. TLS does not hide the length of the data it transmits, though endpoints are able to pad TLS records in order to obscure lengths and improve protection against traffic analysis techniques.
- Integrity: Data sent over the channel after establishment cannot be modified by attackers without detection.

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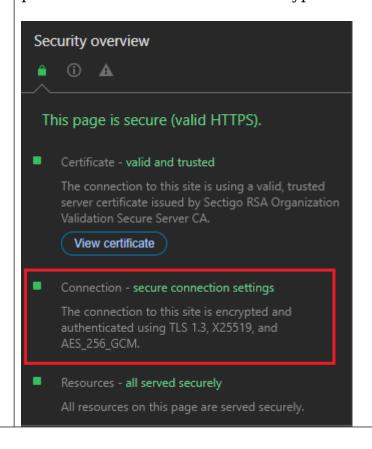
associating decryption stream:

first The standard practices associating a first decryption algorithm (e.g., signature algorithm decryption algorithm i.e., SHA256RSA decryption algorithm) with the encrypted bit with the encrypted bit stream (e.g., encrypted certificate with signature encryption algorithm).

The standard practices providing a two-level encryption security for data

communication. It encrypts a plaintext with a first encryption technique i.e., signature encryption algorithm (e.g., SHA256RSA encryption algorithm) and generates a ciphertext.

The standard defines an authentication message, communicated after the hello handshake messages, which comprises an encrypted digital certificate with the signature encryption algorithm and an associated certificate verify message with it. The certificate verify message includes a signature algorithm extension field which provides information for the decryption of the encrypted digital certificate.



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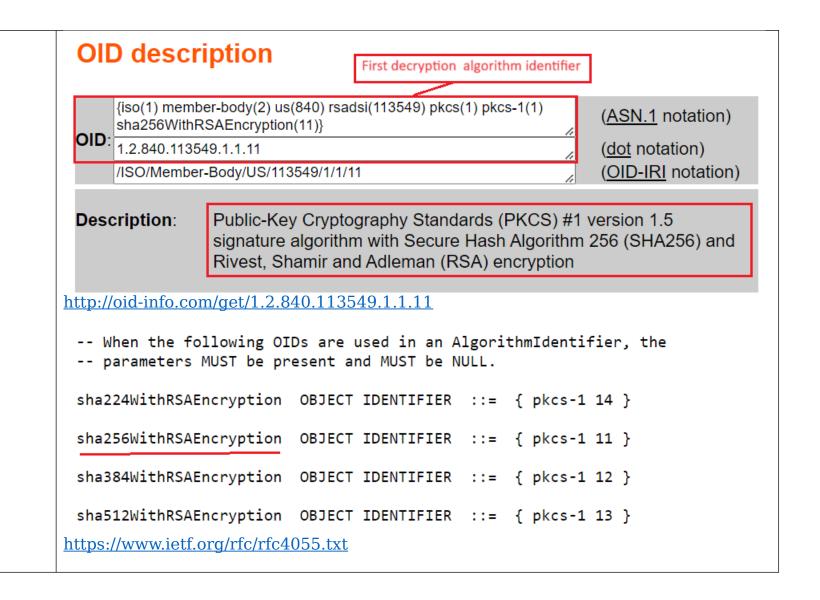
Abstract

This document specifies version 1.3 of the Transport Layer Security (TLS) protocol. TLS allows client/server applications to communicate over the Internet in a way that is designed to prevent eavesdropping, tampering, and message forgery.

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As shown below, the accused instrumentality discloses the signature decryption algorithm.

08-05-2024 05:30:00 [Not After] 08-06-2025 05:29:59 [Thumborint] 72DE3D24166A7C4514094621BF5E62E404142B43 [Signature Algorithm] First decryption algorithm sha256RSA(1.2.840.113549.1.1.11) [Public Key] Algorithm: RSA Lenath: 2048 Key Blob: 30 82 01 0a 02 82 01 01 00 0d d19 e6 e1 e0 57 df 39 82 8a 86 a9 07 f3 4d 2b 2e ad a2 5e dd 2c bc 5d ef f5 6f f7 b0 7e a9 f8 e1 cd 11 3a e9 39 f9 a6 b9 0d d0 05 0d 5f 18 d5 4d 9e 6d 3b f1 69 be 11 28 5a 69 62 07 ad 6b 33 7e f9 15 f3 49 f1 c7 19 0a 97 3d 4f 27 40 67 22 44 d4 3d cb 46 59 1a 66 49 f0 04 d0 dc 18 39 13 21 d3 01 ef 1f a 2 67 a 6 76 d 1 83 c 0 c 2 78 2d 32 e 0 ae ec e 0 f 2 6c b 3 48 56 af a 9 38 42 b 8 f 8 e 7 38 69 46 bd 12 b 8 c 3 df ec a 8 85 98 bb 0b 6e f 1 dd a 2 52 8e 15 70 e 8 3d 8e 9b cd 9c 92 99 f4 e4 13 0e b2 6c 00 b9 01 7c 0e 55 1f 62 1d 8e f3 56 cc bf e3 f9 27 d2 e8 30 67 5f c9 58 79 3a e4 c8 69 9b 15 99 c1 3f 7e 05 39 53 8b 44 d9 3d 60 c5 e2 d6 92 9d 42 10 76 e3 22 a4 ca 67 e4 95 86 ae 46 6c ca cb f9 b6 38 8b f0 a4 09 24 cb b9 b1 6f 06 41 52 d7 36 ec 49 d1 4e f3 42 94 ec 87 d4 0d 02 03 01 00 01 Source: Fiddler Capture



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                                                           Server
 Key ^ ClientHello
 Exch | + key_share*
        + signature_algorithms*
        + psk_key_exchange_modes*
      v + pre_shared_key*
                                                     ServerHello ^ Key
                                                    + key_share*
                                                                  | Exch
                                               + pre_shared_key*
                                           {EncryptedExtensions}
                                                                  ^ Server
                                           {CertificateRequest*}
                                                                  v Params
                                                  {Certificate*}
                                            {CertificateVerify*}
                                                                    Auth
    Digital Content
                                                      {Finished}
                                             [Application Data*]
      ^ {Certificate*}
 Auth | {CertificateVerify*}
      v {Finished}
         [Application Data]
                                 <----> [Application Data]
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#### 4.4.3. Certificate Verify

This message is used to provide explicit proof that an endpoint possesses the private key corresponding to its certificate. The CertificateVerify message also provides integrity for the handshake up to this point. Servers MUST send this message when authenticating via a certificate. Clients MUST send this message whenever authenticating via a certificate (i.e., when the Certificate message is non-empty). When sent, this message MUST appear immediately after the Certificate message and immediately prior to the Finished message.

Structure of this message:

```
struct {
    SignatureScheme algorithm;
    opaque signature<0..2^16-1>;
} CertificateVerify;
```

The algorithm field specifies the signature algorithm used (see Section 4.2.3 for the definition of this type). The signature is a digital signature using that algorithm. The content that is covered under the signature is the hash output as described in Section 4.4.1, namely:

certificate\_request\_context: An opaque string which identifies the certificate request and which will be echoed in the client's Certificate message. The certificate\_request\_context MUST be unique within the scope of this connection (thus preventing replay of client CertificateVerify messages). This field SHALL be zero length unless used for the post-handshake authentication exchanges described in <a href="Section 4.6.2">Section 4.6.2</a>. When requesting post-handshake authentication, the server SHOULD make the context unpredictable to the client (e.g., by randomly generating it) in order to prevent an attacker who has temporary access to the client's private key from pre-computing valid CertificateVerify messages.

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- RSASSA-PSS signature schemes are defined in <u>Section 4.2.3</u>.
- The "supported\_versions" ClientHello extension can be used to negotiate the version of TLS to use, in preference to the legacy\_version field of the ClientHello.
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As shown below, the digital certificate is encrypted with the signature encryption algorithm and the certificate verify message, associated with the encrypted digital certificate, has a signature algorithm extension field that provides information related to the signature decryption algorithm. The authentication message is a TLS plaintext handshake message. This message is again encrypted with the negotiated AEAD encryption algorithm, e.g., recursive security protocol. The AEAD encrypted message is communicated between the client and the server.

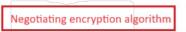
#### 5. Record Protocol

The <u>TLS</u> record protocol takes messages to be transmitted, fragments the data into manageable blocks, protects the records, and transmits the result. Received data is verified, decrypted, reassembled, and then delivered to higher-level clients.

TLS records are typed, which allows multiple higher-level protocols to be multiplexed over the same record layer. This document specifies four content types: handshake, application\_data, alert, and change\_cipher\_spec. The change\_cipher\_spec record is used only for compatibility purposes (see <a href="Appendix D.4">Appendix D.4</a>).

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#### 2. Protocol Overview



The cryptographic parameters used by the secure channel are produced by the TLS handshake protocol. This sub-protocol of TLS is used by the client and server when first communicating with each other. The handshake protocol allows peers to negotiate a protocol version, select cryptographic algorithms, optionally authenticate each other, and establish shared secret keying material. Once the handshake is complete, the peers use the established keys to protect the application-layer traffic.

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# TLS consists of two primary components:

- A handshake protocol (<u>Section 4</u>) that authenticates the communicating parties, <u>negotiates cryptographic modes and parameters</u>, and establishes shared keying material. The handshake protocol is designed to resist tampering, an active attacker should not be able to force the peers to negotiate different parameters than they would if the connection were not under attack.

  Negotiating encryption algos
- A record protocol (<u>Section 5</u>) that uses the parameters established by the handshake protocol to protect traffic between the communicating peers. The record protocol divides traffic up into a series of records, each of which is independently protected using the traffic keys.

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All handshake messages after the ServerHello are now encrypted. The newly introduced EncryptedExtensions message allows various extensions previously sent in the clear in the ServerHello to also enjoy confidentiality protection.

### **4.4.** Authentication Messages

As discussed in <u>Section 2</u>, TLS generally uses a common set of messages for authentication, key confirmation, and handshake integrity: Certificate, CertificateVerify, and Finished. (The PSK binders also perform key confirmation, in a similar fashion.) These three messages are always sent as the last messages in their handshake flight. The Certificate and CertificateVerify messages are only sent under certain circumstances, as defined below. The Finished message is always sent as part of the Authentication Block. These messages are encrypted under keys derived from the [sender]\_handshake\_traffic\_secret.

```
Figure 1 below shows the basic full TLS handshake:
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                                                           Server
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 Exch | + key_share*
        + signature_algorithms*
        + psk_key_exchange_modes*
      v + pre_shared_key*
                                                     ServerHello ^ Key
                                                    + key_share*
                                                                  | Exch
                                               + pre_shared_key*
                                           {EncryptedExtensions}
                                                                  ^ Server
                                           {CertificateRequest*}
                                                                  v Params
                                                  {Certificate*}
                                           {CertificateVerify*}
                                                                    Auth
    Digital Content
                                                      {Finished}
                                             [Application Data*]
      ^ {Certificate*}
 Auth | {CertificateVerify*}
      v {Finished}
         [Application Data]
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```

### 4.1.1. Cryptographic Negotiation

In TLS, the cryptographic negotiation proceeds by the client offering the following four sets of options in its ClientHello:

- A list of cipher suites which indicates the AEAD algorithm/HKDF hash pairs which the client supports.
- A "supported\_groups" (<u>Section 4.2.7</u>) extension which indicates the (EC)DHE groups which the client supports and a "key\_share" (<u>Section 4.2.8</u>) extension which contains (EC)DHE shares for some or all of these groups.
- A "signature\_algorithms" (Section 4.2.3) extension which indicates the signature algorithms which the client can accept. A "signature\_algorithms\_cert" extension (Section 4.2.3) may also be added to indicate certificate-specific signature algorithms.
  - A "pre\_shared\_key" (<u>Section 4.2.11</u>) extension which contains a list of symmetric key identities known to the client and a "psk\_key\_exchange\_modes" (<u>Section 4.2.9</u>) extension which indicates the key exchange modes that may be used with PSKs.

### 4.4.2. Certificate

This message conveys the endpoint's certificate chain to the peer.

The server MUST send a Certificate message whenever the agreed-upon key exchange method uses certificates for authentication (this includes all key exchange methods defined in this document except PSK).

The client MUST send a Certificate message if and only if the server has requested client authentication via a CertificateRequest message (Section 4.3.2). If the server requests client authentication but no suitable certificate is available, the client MUST send a Certificate message containing no certificates (i.e., with the "certificate\_list" field having length 0). A Finished message MUST be sent regardless of whether the Certificate message is empty.

### 4.4.2.3. Client Certificate Selection

The following rules apply to certificates sent by the client:

- The certificate type MUST be X.509v3 [RFC5280], unless explicitly negotiated otherwise (e.g., [RFC7250]).
- If the "certificate\_authorities" extension in the CertificateRequest message was present, at least one of the certificates in the certificate chain SHOULD be issued by one of the listed CAs.
- The certificates MUST be signed using an acceptable signature algorithm, as described in <u>Section 4.3.2</u>. Note that this relaxes the constraints on certificate-signing algorithms found in prior versions of TLS.
- If the CertificateRequest message contained a non-empty "oid\_filters" extension, the end-entity certificate MUST match the extension OIDs that are recognized by the client, as described in Section 4.2.5.

### 4.4.3. Certificate Verify

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Structure of this message:

```
struct {
    SignatureScheme algorithm;
    opaque signature<0..2^16-1>;
} CertificateVerify;
```

First decryption algorithm information

The algorithm field specifies the signature algorithm used (see Section 4.2.3 for the definition of this type). The signature is a digital signature using that algorithm. The content that is covered under the signature is the hash output as described in Section 4.4.1, namely:

### 4.3.2. Certificate Request

A server which is authenticating with a certificate MAY optionally request a certificate from the client. This message, if sent, MUST follow EncryptedExtensions.

```
Structure of this message:
```

```
struct {
    opaque certificate_request_context<0..2^8-1>;
    Extension extensions<2..2^16-1>;
} CertificateRequest;
```

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In addition, the signature algorithm MUST be compatible with the key in the sender's end-entity certificate. RSA signatures MUST use an RSASSA-PSS algorithm, regardless of whether RSASSA-PKCS1-v1\_5 algorithms appear in "signature\_algorithms". The SHA-1 algorithm MUST NOT be used in any signatures of CertificateVerify messages.

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SignatureSchemeList value:
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       /* RSASSA-PSS algorithms with public key OID rsaEncryption */
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As shown below, the receiving party will be able to decrypt the encrypted message with the provided signature decryption algorithm information i.e., SHA-256 RSA decryption algorithm.

We are now prepared to show that we can decrypt encrypted messages. We can find a pair of large prime numbers p and q, compute n = pq and  $\varphi(n) = (p-1)(q-1)$ , find d which is relatively prime to  $\varphi(n)$ , and compute the value e for which  $de = 1 \pmod{\varphi(n)}$ . we know that de-1 is divisible by  $\varphi(n)$ , so there is a number k satisfying  $de = 1 + k\varphi(n)$ .

Recall from Section II that (e, n) is the encryption key and (d, n) is the decryption key. If m is a plaintext message, then the ciphertext is

$$c = m^e \mod n$$
.

First encryption

To decrypt, we compute  $c^d \mod n$  to obtain

 $c^d \mod n = (m^e \mod n)^d \mod n = m^{de} \mod n = m^{1+k\varphi(n)} \mod n.$ 

The result of Exercise 3.13 tells us that

 $m \equiv m^{1+k\varphi(n)} \pmod{n},$ 

First decryption

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The solution to the problem is that one never signs an actual message. Rather one signs a value derived from that message. A *cryptographic hash function* is a function that computes a *message authentication code* from a message. The message authentication code is of fixed size, typically 160 of 512 bits long. The function is designed so that it is extremely unlikely that two different messages will correspond

to the same code. You may have seen references to the commonly used hash functions MD5, SHA-1, and SHA-256. Suppose that H is a cryptographic hash function. To sign a message m, party A computes  $h = D_A(H(m))$  and sends  $E_B(m,h)$  to B. Party B now has evidence that A signed m because  $E_A(h) = H(m)$ , and A is the only one who could have generated a value h with that property.

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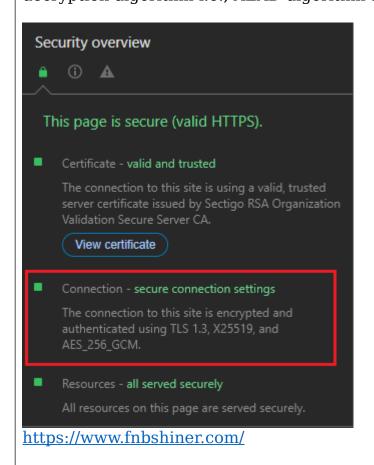
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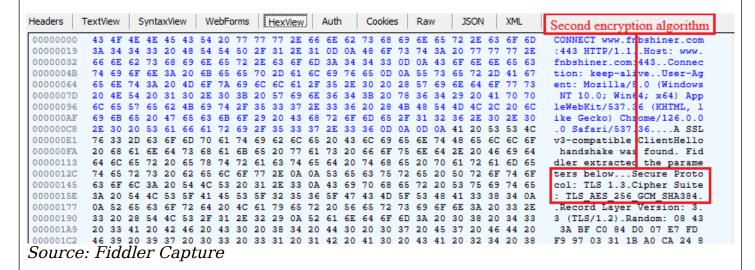


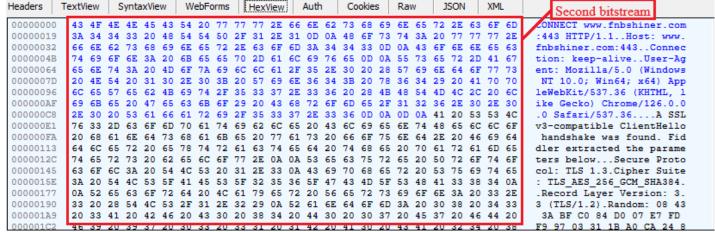
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- A handshake protocol (<u>Section 4</u>) that authenticates the communicating parties, negotiates cryptographic modes and parameters, and establishes shared keying material. The handshake protocol is designed to resist tampering, an active attacker should not be able to force the peers to negotiate different parameters than they would if the connection were not under attack.

  Negotiating encryption algos
- A record protocol (<u>Section 5</u>) that uses the parameters established by the handshake protocol to protect traffic between the communicating peers. The record protocol divides traffic up into a series of records, each of which is independently protected using the traffic keys.

# **5.1**. Record Layer

The record layer fragments information blocks into TLSPlaintext records carrying data in chunks of 2^14 bytes or less. Message boundaries are handled differently depending on the underlying ContentType. Any future content types MUST specify appropriate rules. Note that these rules are stricter than what was enforced in TLS 1.2.

Handshake messages MAY be coalesced into a single TLSPlaintext record or fragmented across several records, provided that:

- Handshake messages MUST NOT be interleaved with other record types. That is, if a handshake message is split over two or more records, there MUST NOT be any other records between them.

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#### 5.2. Record Payload Protection

The record protection functions translate a TLSPlaintext structure into a TLSCiphertext structure. The deprotection functions reverse the process. In TLS 1.3, as opposed to previous versions of TLS, all ciphers are modeled as "Authenticated Encryption with Associated Data" (AEAD) [RFC5116]. AEAD functions provide a unified encryption and authentication operation which turns plaintext into authenticated ciphertext and back again. Each encrypted record consists of a plaintext header followed by an encrypted body, which itself contains a type and optional padding.

AEAD algorithms take as input a single key, a nonce, a plaintext, and "additional data" to be included in the authentication check, as described in <a href="Section 2.1 of [RFC5116">Section 2.1 of [RFC5116]</a>. The key is either the client\_write\_key or the server\_write\_key, the nonce is derived from the sequence number and the client\_write\_iv or server\_write\_iv (see <a href="Section 5.3">Section 5.3</a>), and the additional data input is the record header.

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The AEAD approach enables applications that need cryptographic security services to more easily adopt those services. It benefits the application designer by allowing them to focus on important issues such as security services, canonicalization, and data marshaling, and relieving them of the need to design crypto mechanisms that meet their security goals. Importantly, the security of an AEAD algorithm can be analyzed independent from its use in a particular application. This property frees the user of the AEAD of the need to consider security aspects such as the relative order of authentication and encryption and the security of the particular combination of cipher and MAC, such as the potential loss of

confidentiality through the MAC. The application designer that uses the AEAD interface need not select a particular AEAD algorithm during the design stage. Additionally, the interface to the AEAD is relatively simple, since it requires only a single key as input and requires only a single identifier to indicate the algorithm in use in a particular case.

# **2.1**. Authenticated Encryption

The <u>authenticated encryption operation has four inputs</u>, each of which is an octet string:

A  $\underline{\text{secret key K}}$ , which MUST be generated in a way that is uniformly random or pseudorandom.

A nonce N. Each nonce provided to distinct invocations of the Authenticated Encryption operation MUST be distinct, for any particular value of the key, unless each and every nonce is zero-length. Applications that can generate distinct nonces SHOULD use the nonce formation method defined in <a href="Section 3.2">Section 3.2</a>, and MAY use any other method that meets the uniqueness requirement. Other applications SHOULD use zero-length nonces.

A plaintext P, which contains the data to be encrypted and authenticated.

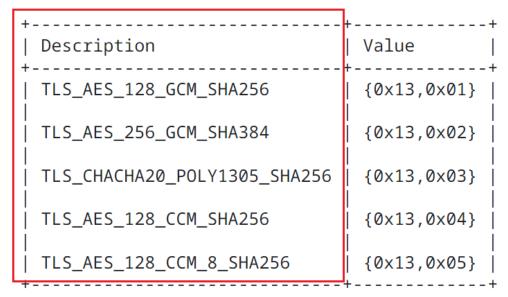
The associated data A, which contains the data to be authenticated, but not encrypted.

The AEAD output consists of the ciphertext output from the AEAD encryption operation. The length of the plaintext is greater than the corresponding TLSPlaintext.length due to the inclusion of TLSInnerPlaintext.type and any padding supplied by the sender. The length of the AEAD output will generally be larger than the plaintext, but by an amount that varies with the AEAD algorithm.

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Each AEAD algorithm will specify a range of possible lengths for the per-record nonce, from N\_MIN bytes to N\_MAX bytes of input [RFC5116]. The length of the TLS per-record nonce (iv\_length) is set to the larger of 8 bytes and N\_MIN for the AEAD algorithm (see [RFC5116], Section 4). An AEAD algorithm where N\_MAX is less than 8 bytes MUST NOT be used with TLS. The per-record nonce for the AEAD construction is formed as follows: https://datatracker.ietf.org/doc/html/rfc8446#section-1

This specification defines the following cipher suites for use with TLS 1.3.



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All handshake messages after the ServerHello are now encrypted. The newly introduced EncryptedExtensions message allows various extensions previously sent in the clear in the ServerHello to also enjoy confidentiality protection.

### **4.4.** Authentication Messages

As discussed in <u>Section 2</u>, TLS generally uses a common set of messages for authentication, key confirmation, and handshake integrity: Certificate, CertificateVerify, and Finished. (The PSK binders also perform key confirmation, in a similar fashion.) These three messages are always sent as the last messages in their handshake flight. The Certificate and CertificateVerify messages are only sent under certain circumstances, as defined below. The Finished message is always sent as part of the Authentication Block. These messages are encrypted under keys derived from the [sender]\_handshake\_traffic\_secret.

```
Figure 1 below shows the basic full TLS handshake:
        Client
                                                           Server
 Key ^ ClientHello
 Exch | + key_share*
        + signature_algorithms*
        + psk_key_exchange_modes*
      v + pre_shared_key*
                                                     ServerHello ^ Key
                                                    + key_share*
                                                                  | Exch
                                               + pre_shared_key*
                                          {EncryptedExtensions}
                                                                  ^ Server
                                          {CertificateRequest*}
                                                                  v Params
                                                  {Certificate*}
                                           {CertificateVerify*}
                                                                    Auth
    Digital Content
                                                      {Finished}
                                             [Application Data*]
      ^ {Certificate*}
 Auth | {CertificateVerify*}
      v {Finished}
         [Application Data]
                                 <----> [Application Data]
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```

# 4.1.1. Cryptographic Negotiation

In TLS, the cryptographic negotiation proceeds by the client offering the following four sets of options in its ClientHello:

- A list of cipher suites which indicates the AEAD algorithm/HKDF hash pairs which the client supports.

A "supported\_groups" (<u>Section 4.2.7</u>) extension which indicates the (EC)DHE groups which the client supports and a "key\_share" (<u>Section 4.2.8</u>) extension which contains (EC)DHE shares for some or all of these groups.

- A "signature\_algorithms" (<u>Section 4.2.3</u>) extension which indicates the signature algorithms which the client can accept. A "signature\_algorithms\_cert" extension (<u>Section 4.2.3</u>) may also be added to indicate certificate-specific signature algorithms.
  - A "pre\_shared\_key" (<u>Section 4.2.11</u>) extension which contains a list of symmetric key identities known to the client and a "psk\_key\_exchange\_modes" (<u>Section 4.2.9</u>) extension which indicates the key exchange modes that may be used with PSKs.

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## 4.4.2. Certificate

This message conveys the endpoint's certificate chain to the peer.

The server MUST send a Certificate message whenever the agreed-upon key exchange method uses certificates for authentication (this includes all key exchange methods defined in this document except PSK).

The client MUST send a Certificate message if and only if the server has requested client authentication via a CertificateRequest message (Section 4.3.2). If the server requests client authentication but no suitable certificate is available, the client MUST send a Certificate message containing no certificates (i.e., with the "certificate\_list" field having length 0). A Finished message MUST be sent regardless of whether the Certificate message is empty.

### 4.4.2.3. Client Certificate Selection

The following rules apply to certificates sent by the client:

- The certificate type MUST be X.509v3 [RFC5280], unless explicitly negotiated otherwise (e.g., [RFC7250]).
- If the "certificate\_authorities" extension in the CertificateRequest message was present, at least one of the certificates in the certificate chain SHOULD be issued by one of the listed CAs.
- The certificates MUST be signed using an acceptable signature algorithm, as described in <u>Section 4.3.2</u>. Note that this relaxes the constraints on certificate-signing algorithms found in prior versions of TLS.
- If the CertificateRequest message contained a non-empty "oid\_filters" extension, the end-entity certificate MUST match the extension OIDs that are recognized by the client, as described in Section 4.2.5.

# 4.4.3. Certificate Verify

This message is used to provide explicit proof that an endpoint possesses the private key corresponding to its certificate. The CertificateVerify message also provides integrity for the handshake up to this point. Servers MUST send this message when authenticating via a certificate. Clients MUST send this message whenever authenticating via a certificate (i.e., when the Certificate message is non-empty). When sent, this message MUST appear immediately after the Certificate message and immediately prior to the Finished message.

Structure of this message:

```
struct {
    SignatureScheme algorithm;
    opaque signature<0..2^16-1>;
} CertificateVerify;
```

First decryption algorithm information

The algorithm field specifies the signature algorithm used (see Section 4.2.3 for the definition of this type). The signature is a digital signature using that algorithm. The content that is covered under the signature is the hash output as described in Section 4.4.1, namely:

# 4.3.2. Certificate Request

A server which is authenticating with a certificate MAY optionally request a certificate from the client. This message, if sent, MUST follow EncryptedExtensions.

```
Structure of this message:
```

```
struct {
    opaque certificate_request_context<0..2^8-1>;
    Extension extensions<2..2^16-1>;
} CertificateRequest;
```

certificate\_request\_context: An opaque string which identifies the certificate request and which will be echoed in the client's Certificate message. The certificate\_request\_context MUST be unique within the scope of this connection (thus preventing replay of client CertificateVerify messages). This field SHALL be zero length unless used for the post-handshake authentication exchanges described in <a href="Section 4.6.2">Section 4.6.2</a>. When requesting post-handshake authentication, the server SHOULD make the context unpredictable to the client (e.g., by randomly generating it) in order to prevent an attacker who has temporary access to the client's private key from pre-computing valid CertificateVerify messages.

extensions: A set of extensions describing the parameters of the certificate being requested. The "signature\_algorithms" extension MUST be specified, and other extensions may optionally be included if defined for this message. Clients MUST ignore unrecognized extensions.

- RSASSA-PSS signature schemes are defined in <u>Section 4.2.3</u>.
- The "supported\_versions" ClientHello extension can be used to negotiate the version of TLS to use, in preference to the legacy\_version field of the ClientHello.
- The "signature\_algorithms\_cert" extension allows a client to indicate which signature algorithms it can validate in X.509 certificates.

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If sent by a client, the signature algorithm used in the signature MUST be one of those present in the supported\_signature\_algorithms field of the "signature\_algorithms" extension in the CertificateRequest message.

In addition, the signature algorithm MUST be compatible with the key in the sender's end-entity certificate. RSA signatures MUST use an RSASSA-PSS algorithm, regardless of whether RSASSA-PKCS1-v1\_5 algorithms appear in "signature\_algorithms". The SHA-1 algorithm MUST NOT be used in any signatures of CertificateVerify messages.

# 4.2.3. Signature Algorithms

TLS 1.3 provides two extensions for indicating which signature algorithms may be used in digital signatures. The "signature\_algorithms\_cert" extension applies to signatures in certificates, and the "signature\_algorithms" extension, which originally appeared in TLS 1.2, applies to signatures in CertificateVerify messages. The keys found in certificates MUST also be of appropriate type for the signature algorithms they are used with. This is a particular issue for RSA keys and PSS signatures, as described below. If no "signature algorithms cert" extension is present, then the "signature\_algorithms" extension also applies to signatures appearing in certificates. Clients which desire the server to authenticate itself via a certificate MUST send the "signature\_algorithms" extension. If a server is authenticating via a certificate and the client has not sent a "signature\_algorithms" extension, then the server MUST abort the handshake with a "missing\_extension" alert (see <a href="Section 9.2">Section 9.2</a>).

The "signature\_algorithms\_cert" extension was added to allow implementations which supported different sets of algorithms for certificates and in TLS itself to clearly signal their capabilities. TLS 1.2 implementations SHOULD also process this extension. Implementations which have the same policy in both cases MAY omit the "signature\_algorithms\_cert" extension.

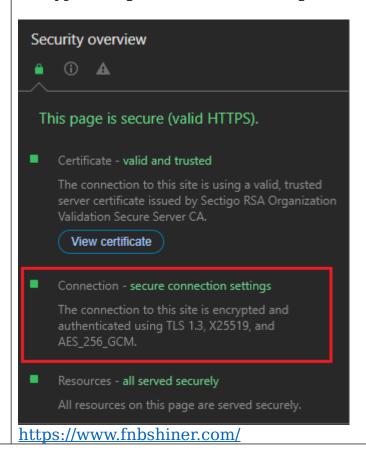
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The "extension_data" field of these extensions contains a
SignatureSchemeList value:
   enum {
       /* RSASSA-PKCS1-v1 5 algorithms */
       rsa_pkcs1_sha256(0x0401),
       rsa_pkcs1_sha384(0x0501),
       rsa_pkcs1_sha512(0x0601),
       /* ECDSA algorithms */
       ecdsa_secp256r1_sha256(0x0403),
       ecdsa_secp384r1_sha384(0x0503),
       ecdsa_secp521r1_sha512(0x0603),
       /* RSASSA-PSS algorithms with public key OID rsaEncryption */
       rsa_pss_rsae_sha256(0x0804),
       rsa pss rsae sha384(0x0805),
       rsa_pss_rsae_sha512(0x0806),
       /* EdDSA algorithms */
       ed25519(0x0807),
       ed448(0x0808),
       /* RSASSA-PSS algorithms with public key OID RSASSA-PSS */
       rsa_pss_pss_sha256(0x0809),
       rsa_pss_pss_sha384(0x080a),
       rsa pss pss sha512(0x080b),
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The standard practices providing a two-level encryption security for data communication. It encrypts a plaintext with a first encryption technique i.e., signature encryption algorithm (e.g., SHA256RSA algorithm) and generates a ciphertext.

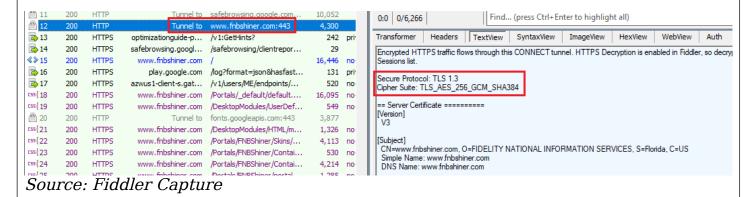
The standard defines an authentication message, communicated after the hello handshake messages, which comprises an encrypted digital certificate with the signature encryption algorithm and an associated certificate verify message with it. The certificate verify message includes a signature algorithm extension field which provides information for the decryption of the encrypted digital certificate. The standard further practices encrypting the authentication message, including the encrypted digital certification and the certificate verify message, with a second decryption algorithm i.e., AEAD algorithm such as TLS AES 256 GCM SHA384, etc.

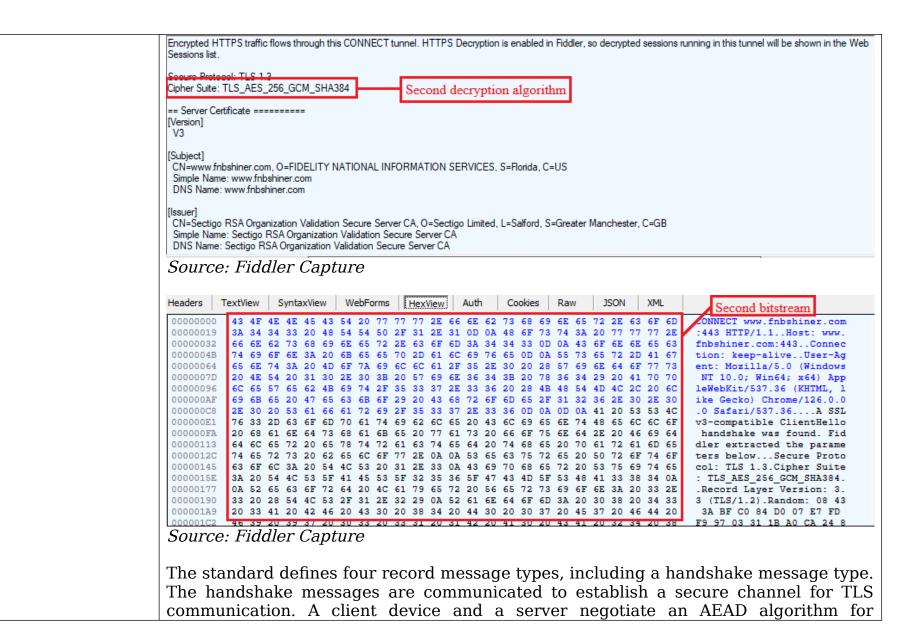


# The Transport Layer Security (TLS) Protocol Version 1.3

#### Abstract

This document specifies version 1.3 of the Transport Layer Security (TLS) protocol. TLS allows client/server applications to communicate over the Internet in a way that is designed to prevent eavesdropping, tampering, and message forgery.





encrypting TLS record message data. It discloses that after Hello handshake messages i.e., a ClientHello message and a ServerHello message, all handshake messages are encrypted with the negotiated encryption algorithm. One of the handshake messages after hello handshake messages i.e., an authentication message from the client, comprises a digital certificate encrypted by a signature encryption algorithm and a certificate verify message comprising information related to the signature decryption algorithm.

As shown below, the digital certificate is encrypted with the signature encryption algorithm and the certificate verify message, associated with the encrypted digital certificate, has a signature algorithm extension field that provides information related to the signature decryption algorithm. The authentication message is a TLS plaintext handshake message. This message is again encrypted with the negotiated AEAD encryption algorithm, e.g., recursive security protocol. The AEAD encrypted message is communicated between the client and the server.

Further, the AEAD encrypted message comprises a ciphertext (e.g., encrypted ciphertext after the encryption by the second encryption algorithm), nonce (e.g., associating second decryption algo), key and associated data. The maximum length of nonce is a cipher suit specific element. The nonce and associated data are utilized in decryption of the AEAD encrypted message.

### Record Protocol

The <u>TLS</u> record protocol takes messages to be transmitted, fragments the data into manageable blocks, protects the records, and transmits the result. Received data is verified, decrypted, reassembled, and then delivered to higher-level clients.

TLS records are typed, which allows multiple higher-level protocols to be multiplexed over the same record layer. This document specifies <u>four content types: handshake</u>, application\_data, alert, and change\_cipher\_spec. The change\_cipher\_spec record is used only for compatibility purposes (see <u>Appendix D.4</u>).

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#### 2. Protocol Overview

Negotiating encryption algorithm

The cryptographic parameters used by the secure channel are produced by the TLS handshake protocol. This sub-protocol of TLS is used by the client and server when first communicating with each other. The handshake protocol allows peers to negotiate a protocol version, select cryptographic algorithms, optionally authenticate each other, and establish shared secret keying material. Once the handshake is complete, the peers use the established keys to protect the application-layer traffic.

TLS consists of two primary components:

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  Negotiating encryption algos
- A record protocol (<u>Section 5</u>) that uses the parameters established by the handshake protocol to protect traffic between the communicating peers. The record protocol divides traffic up into a series of records, each of which is independently protected using the traffic keys.

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confidentiality through the MAC. The application designer that uses the AEAD interface need not select a particular AEAD algorithm during the design stage. Additionally, the interface to the AEAD is relatively simple, since it requires only a single key as input and requires only a single identifier to indicate the algorithm in use in a particular case.

## **2.1**. Authenticated Encryption

The <u>authenticated encryption operation has four inputs</u>, each of which is an octet string:

A <u>secret key K</u>, which MUST be generated in a way that is uniformly random or pseudorandom.

A nonce N. Each nonce provided to distinct invocations of the Authenticated Encryption operation MUST be distinct, for any particular value of the key, unless each and every nonce is zero-length. Applications that can generate distinct nonces SHOULD use the nonce formation method defined in <a href="Section 3.2">Section 3.2</a>, and MAY use any other method that meets the uniqueness requirement. Other applications SHOULD use zero-length nonces.

A plaintext P, which contains the data to be encrypted and authenticated.

The associated data A, which contains the data to be authenticated, but not encrypted.

# 2.2. Authenticated Decryption

Second decryption algorithm

The <u>authenticated decryption operation has four inputs: K, N, A, and C, as defined above.</u> It has only a single output, either a plaintext value P or a special symbol FAIL that indicates that the inputs are not authentic. A ciphertext C, a nonce N, and associated data A are authentic for key K when C is generated by the encrypt operation with inputs K, N, P, and A, for some values of N, P, and A. The authenticated decrypt operation will, with high probability, return FAIL whenever the inputs N, P, and A were crafted by a noncerespecting adversary that does not know the secret key (assuming that the AEAD algorithm is secure).

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The AEAD output consists of the ciphertext output from the AEAD encryption operation. The length of the plaintext is greater than the corresponding TLSPlaintext.length due to the inclusion of TLSInnerPlaintext.type and any padding supplied by the sender. The length of the AEAD output will generally be larger than the plaintext, but by an amount that varies with the AEAD algorithm.

Each AEAD algorithm will specify a range of possible lengths for the per-record nonce, from N\_MIN bytes to N\_MAX bytes of input [RFC5116]. The length of the TLS per-record nonce (iv\_length) is set to the larger of 8 bytes and N\_MIN for the AEAD algorithm (see [RFC5116], Section 4). An AEAD algorithm where N\_MAX is less than 8 bytes MUST NOT be used with TLS. The per-record nonce for the AEAD construction is formed as follows: https://datatracker.ietf.org/doc/html/rfc8446#section-1

This specification defines the following cipher suites for use with TLS 1.3.

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Description	Value
TLS_AES_128_GCM_SHA256	{0x13,0x01}
   TLS_AES_256_GCM_SHA384	
   TLS_CHACHA20_POLY1305_SHA256	   {0x13,0x03}
   TLS_AES_128_CCM_SHA256	   {0x13,0x04}
   TLS_AES_128_CCM_8_SHA256	   {0x13,0x05}

All handshake messages after the ServerHello are now encrypted. The newly introduced EncryptedExtensions message allows various extensions previously sent in the clear in the ServerHello to also enjoy confidentiality protection.

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# <u>4.4</u>. Authentication Messages

As discussed in <u>Section 2</u>, TLS generally uses a common set of messages for authentication, key confirmation, and handshake integrity: Certificate, CertificateVerify, and Finished. (The PSK binders also perform key confirmation, in a similar fashion.) These three messages are always sent as the last messages in their handshake flight. The Certificate and CertificateVerify messages are only sent under certain circumstances, as defined below. The Finished message is always sent as part of the Authentication Block. These messages are encrypted under keys derived from the [sender]\_handshake\_traffic\_secret.

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                                                           Server
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        + signature_algorithms*
        + psk_key_exchange_modes*
      v + pre_shared_key*
                                                     ServerHello ^ Key
                                                    + key_share*
                                                                  | Exch
                                               + pre_shared_key*
                                           {EncryptedExtensions}
                                                                  ^ Server
                                           {CertificateRequest*}
                                                                  v Params
                                                  {Certificate*}
                                            {CertificateVerify*}
                                                                    Auth
    Digital Content
                                                      {Finished}
                                             [Application Data*]
      ^ {Certificate*}
 Auth | {CertificateVerify*}
      v {Finished}
         [Application Data]
                                 <----> [Application Data]
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```

## 4.4.2. Certificate

This message conveys the endpoint's certificate chain to the peer.

The server MUST send a Certificate message whenever the agreed-upon key exchange method uses certificates for authentication (this includes all key exchange methods defined in this document except PSK).

The client MUST send a Certificate message if and only if the server has requested client authentication via a CertificateRequest message (Section 4.3.2). If the server requests client authentication but no suitable certificate is available, the client MUST send a Certificate message containing no certificates (i.e., with the "certificate\_list" field having length 0). A Finished message MUST be sent regardless of whether the Certificate message is empty.

#### 4.4.2.3. Client Certificate Selection

The following rules apply to certificates sent by the client:

- The certificate type MUST be X.509v3 [RFC5280], unless explicitly negotiated otherwise (e.g., [RFC7250]).
- If the "certificate\_authorities" extension in the CertificateRequest message was present, at least one of the certificates in the certificate chain SHOULD be issued by one of the listed CAs.
- The certificates MUST be signed using an acceptable signature algorithm, as described in <u>Section 4.3.2</u>. Note that this relaxes the constraints on certificate-signing algorithms found in prior versions of TLS.
- If the CertificateRequest message contained a non-empty "oid\_filters" extension, the end-entity certificate MUST match the extension OIDs that are recognized by the client, as described in Section 4.2.5.

#### 4.4.3. Certificate Verify

This message is used to provide explicit proof that an endpoint possesses the private key corresponding to its certificate. The CertificateVerify message also provides integrity for the handshake up to this point. Servers MUST send this message when authenticating via a certificate. Clients MUST send this message whenever authenticating via a certificate (i.e., when the Certificate message is non-empty). When sent, this message MUST appear immediately after the Certificate message and immediately prior to the Finished message.

Structure of this message:

```
struct {
    SignatureScheme algorithm;
    opaque signature<0..2^16-1>;
} CertificateVerify;
```

The algorithm field specifies the signature algorithm used (see Section 4.2.3 for the definition of this type). The signature is a digital signature using that algorithm. The content that is covered under the signature is the hash output as described in Section 4.4.1, namely:

## 4.3.2. Certificate Request

A server which is authenticating with a certificate MAY optionally request a certificate from the client. This message, if sent, MUST follow EncryptedExtensions.

```
Structure of this message:
```

```
struct {
    opaque certificate_request_context<0..2^8-1>;
    Extension extensions<2..2^16-1>;
} CertificateRequest;
```

certificate\_request\_context: An opaque string which identifies the certificate request and which will be echoed in the client's Certificate message. The certificate\_request\_context MUST be unique within the scope of this connection (thus preventing replay of client CertificateVerify messages). This field SHALL be zero length unless used for the post-handshake authentication exchanges described in <a href="Section 4.6.2">Section 4.6.2</a>. When requesting post-handshake authentication, the server SHOULD make the context unpredictable to the client (e.g., by randomly generating it) in order to prevent an attacker who has temporary access to the client's private key from pre-computing valid CertificateVerify messages.

extensions: A set of extensions describing the parameters of the certificate being requested. The "signature\_algorithms" extension MUST be specified, and other extensions may optionally be included if defined for this message. Clients MUST ignore unrecognized extensions.

- RSASSA-PSS signature schemes are defined in <u>Section 4.2.3</u>.
- The "supported\_versions" ClientHello extension can be used to negotiate the version of TLS to use, in preference to the legacy\_version field of the ClientHello.
- The "signature\_algorithms\_cert" extension allows a client to indicate which signature algorithms it can validate in X.509 certificates.

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If sent by a client, the signature algorithm used in the signature MUST be one of those present in the supported\_signature\_algorithms field of the "signature\_algorithms" extension in the CertificateRequest message.

In addition, the signature algorithm MUST be compatible with the key in the sender's end-entity certificate. RSA signatures MUST use an RSASSA-PSS algorithm, regardless of whether RSASSA-PKCS1-v1\_5 algorithms appear in "signature\_algorithms". The SHA-1 algorithm MUST NOT be used in any signatures of CertificateVerify messages.

# 4.2.3. Signature Algorithms

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SignatureSchemeList value:
   enum {
       /* RSASSA-PKCS1-v1_5 algorithms */
       rsa_pkcs1_sha256(0x0401),
       rsa_pkcs1_sha384(0x0501),
       rsa_pkcs1_sha512(0x0601),
       /* ECDSA algorithms */
       ecdsa_secp256r1_sha256(0x0403),
       ecdsa_secp384r1_sha384(0x0503),
       ecdsa_secp521r1_sha512(0x0603),
       /* RSASSA-PSS algorithms with public key OID rsaEncryption */
       rsa pss rsae sha256(0x0804),
       rsa_pss_rsae_sha384(0x0805),
       rsa pss rsae sha512(0x0806),
       /* EdDSA algorithms */
       ed25519(0x0807),
       ed448(0x0808),
       /* RSASSA-PSS algorithms with public key OID RSASSA-PSS */
       rsa_pss_pss_sha256(0x0809),
       rsa_pss_pss_sha384(0x080a),
       rsa pss pss sha512(0x080b),
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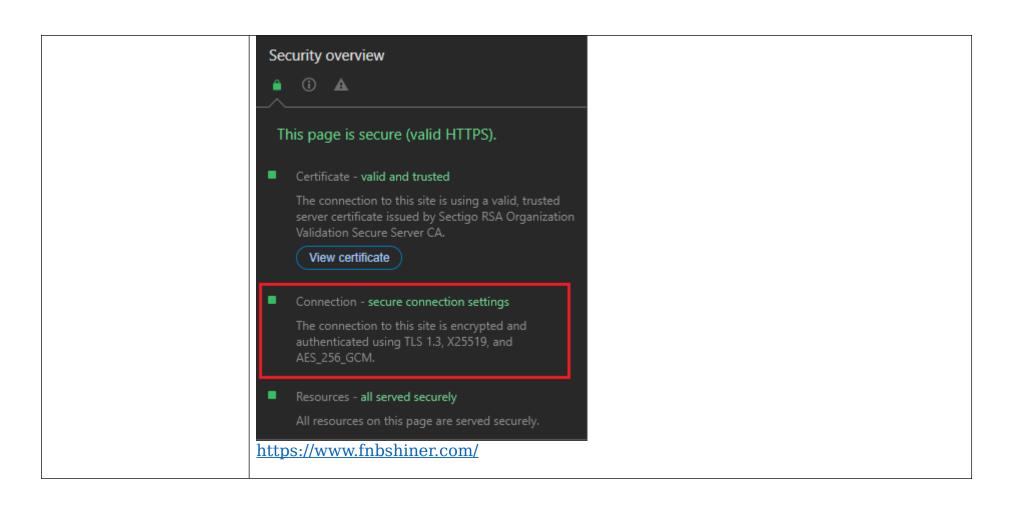
1, further comprising decrypting the first bit

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> The standard practices providing a two-level encryption security for data communication. It encrypts a plaintext with a first encryption technique i.e., signature encryption algorithm (e.g., SHA256RSA algorithm) and generates a ciphertext.

> The standard defines an authentication message, communicated after the hello handshake messages, which comprises an encrypted digital certificate with the signature encryption algorithm and an associated certificate verify message with it. The certificate verify message includes a signature algorithm extension field which provides information for the decryption of the encrypted digital certificate. The standard further practices encrypting the authentication message, including the encrypted digital certification and the certificate verify message, with a second decryption algorithm i.e., AEAD algorithm such as TLS AES 256 GCM SHA384, etc.

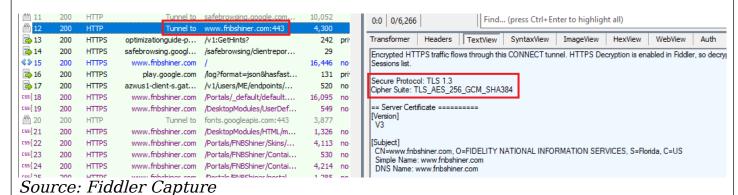


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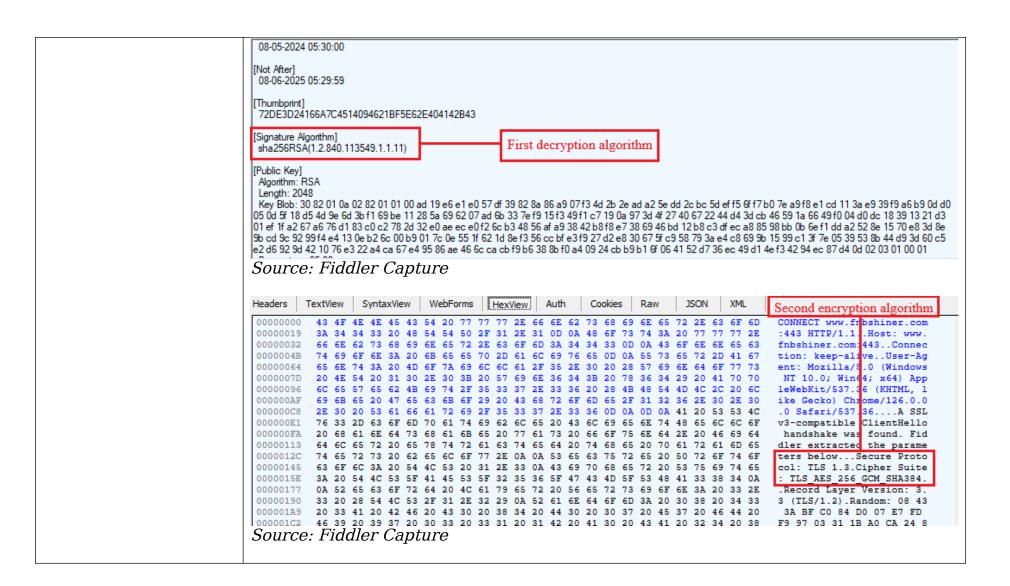
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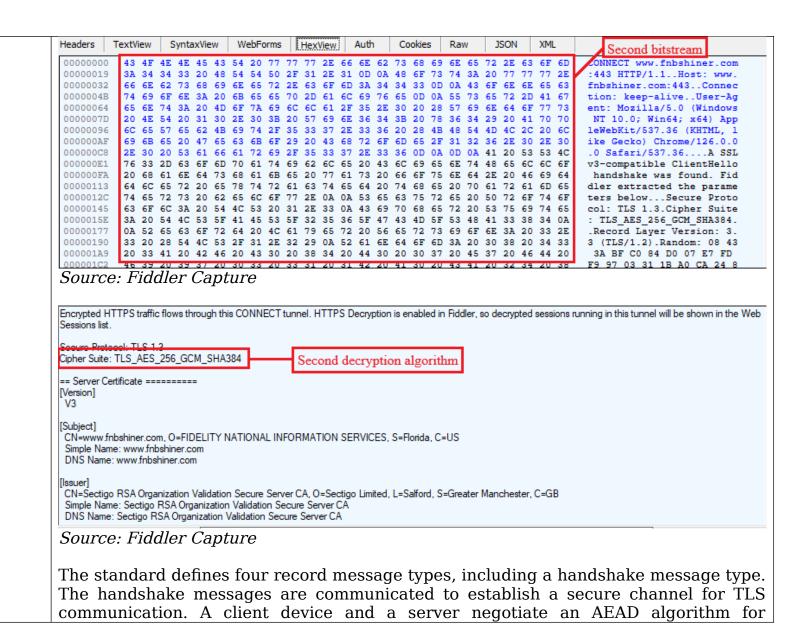
This document specifies version 1.3 of the Transport Layer Security (TLS) protocol. TLS allows client/server applications to communicate over the Internet in a way that is designed to prevent eavesdropping, tampering, and message forgery.

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h2. http/1.1
                                                         Digital certificate
         SignedCertTimestamp (RFC6962)
                           00 00 01 00 01 41 00 20 37 BE 5F 41 5F CD 6E 80 5D 7E 51 F8 A8 8F 06 10 42 9B A4 DD A0 BB 92 EC 51 1F 50 31 01 75 AF 42 00 90 4F
01 CA B8 6E DE E8 F0 49 C6 25 16 0B C4 DC CD 5A A5 C8 73 D6 8A D2 D7 C0 EE 18 52 FA FC B9 B5 9B 91 59 81 DD 60 04 CD 0D E0 5A 1F EF 6F B3 22 6F 5F F0 7C
36 98 AF DE 1B BE F8 80 68 57 30 64 F1 89 0E 45 3C B2 06 E3 F0 C1 05 04 C0 76 71 A1 AD B3 AC 8B C0 1E 65 35 BE 86 B9 3C E7 E2 9B 8E 24 DA C8 04 DC 03 D0
AC 31 D2 D2 6C 56 69 43 AF 1B FA F5 3A 68 AA 95 9C 77 FE B9 84 21 05 E8 B6 B1 54 70 FD A7 BE 0A 6F 33 94 CC 68 69 C7 D7 C5
                           ecdsa_secp256r1_sha256, rsa_pss_rsae_sha256, rsa_pkcs1_sha256, ecdsa_secp384r1_sha384, rsa_pss_rsae_sha384, rsa_pkcs1
 sha384, rsa pss rsae sha512, rea pkcs1 sha512
                          OCSP - Implicit Respons
         status request
                                                        First encryption algorithm
         0x4469
                           00 03 02 68 32
         Session Ticket
                          empty
         extended_master_secret
         psk_key_exchange_modes 01 01
                          www.fnbshiner.com
         server name
         renegotiation_info 00
         supported_versions grease [0x8a8a], Tls1.3, Tls1.2
                           02 00 02
         0x001b
key share 04 ED DA DA 00 01 00 63 99 04 C0 71 26 BB 96 2C 0A 54 4E DF 6C C1 0C 7A 90 A9 55 56 65 C5 89 63 DE B5 BD 59 BC BE 78 3E 49 BF
Source: Fiddler Capture
                           h2, http/1.1
         SignedCertTimestamp (RFC6962)
                                            empty
                           00 00 01 00 01 41 00 20 37 BE 5F 41 5F CD 6E B0 5D 7E 51 F8 A8 8F 06 10 42 9B A4 DD A0 BB 92 EC 51 1F 50 31 01 75 AF 42 00 90 4F
01 CA B8 6E DE E8 F0 49 C6 25 16 0B C4 DC CD 5A A5 C8 73 D6 8A D2 D7 C0 EE 18 52 FA FC B9 B5 9B 91 59 81 DD 60 04 CD 0D E0 5A 1F EF 6F B3 22 6F 5F F0 7C
36 98 AF DE 1B BE F8 80 68 57 30 64 F1 89 0E 45 3C B2 06 E3 F0 C1 05 04 C0 76 71 A1 AD B3 AC 8B C0 1E 65 35 BE 86 B9 3C E7 E2 9B 8E 24 DA C8 04 DC 03 D0
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         signature_algs ecdsa_secp256r1_sha256, rsa_pss_rsae_sha256, rsa_pkcs1_sha256, ecdsa_secp384r1_sha384, rsa_pss_rsae_sha384, rsa_pkcs1
 sha384, rsa pss rsae sha512, rea pkcs1 sha512
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21 1D 42 0A 24 DE DA 05 20 00 2D 52 CA 15 DA 25 20 A2 DD CD DO 7D 5A 50 50 ED 7 CO 0D 02 FC 01 54 70 AD 00 AA 57 DC 0D 1E AA CA D2 0A 52 15 A2 00 7C EC 40 AA
Source: Fiddler Capture
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encrypting TLS record message data. It discloses that after Hello handshake messages i.e., a ClientHello message and a ServerHello message, all handshake messages are encrypted with the negotiated encryption algorithm. One of the handshake messages after hello handshake messages i.e., an authentication message from the client, comprises a digital certificate encrypted by a signature encryption algorithm and a certificate verify message comprising information related to the signature decryption algorithm.

As shown below, the digital certificate is encrypted with the signature encryption algorithm and the certificate verify message, associated with the encrypted digital certificate, has a signature algorithm extension field that provides information related to the signature decryption algorithm. The authentication message is a TLS plaintext handshake message. This message is again encrypted with the negotiated AEAD encryption algorithm, e.g., recursive security protocol. The AEAD encrypted message is communicated between the client and the server.

Further, the AEAD encrypted message comprises a ciphertext (e.g., encrypted ciphertext after the encryption by the second encryption algorithm), nonce (e.g., associating second decryption algo), key and associated data. The maximum length of nonce is a cipher suit specific element. The nonce and associated data are utilized in decryption of the AEAD encrypted message.

### Record Protocol

The <u>TLS</u> record protocol takes messages to be transmitted, fragments the data into manageable blocks, protects the records, and transmits the result. Received data is verified, decrypted, reassembled, and then delivered to higher-level clients.

TLS records are typed, which allows multiple higher-level protocols to be multiplexed over the same record layer. This document specifies <u>four content types: handshake</u>, application\_data, alert, and change\_cipher\_spec. The change\_cipher\_spec record is used only for compatibility purposes (see <u>Appendix D.4</u>).

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### 2. Protocol Overview



The cryptographic parameters used by the secure channel are produced by the TLS handshake protocol. This sub-protocol of TLS is used by the client and server when first communicating with each other. The handshake protocol allows peers to negotiate a protocol version, select cryptographic algorithms, optionally authenticate each other, and establish shared secret keying material. Once the handshake is complete, the peers use the established keys to protect the application-layer traffic.

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TLS consists of two primary components:

- A handshake protocol (<u>Section 4</u>) that authenticates the communicating parties, negotiates cryptographic modes and parameters, and establishes shared keying material. The handshake protocol is designed to resist tampering, an active attacker should not be able to force the peers to negotiate different parameters than they would if the connection were not under attack.

  Negotiating encryption algos
- A record protocol (<u>Section 5</u>) that uses the parameters established by the handshake protocol to protect traffic between the communicating peers. The record protocol divides traffic up into a series of records, each of which is independently protected using the traffic keys.

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# <u>5.1</u>. Record Layer

The record layer fragments information blocks into TLSPlaintext records carrying data in chunks of 2^14 bytes or less. Message boundaries are handled differently depending on the underlying ContentType. Any future content types MUST specify appropriate rules. Note that these rules are stricter than what was enforced in TLS 1.2.

Handshake messages MAY be coalesced into a single TLSPlaintext record or fragmented across several records, provided that:

- Handshake messages MUST NOT be interleaved with other record types. That is, if a handshake message is split over two or more records, there MUST NOT be any other records between them.

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### 5.2. Record Payload Protection

The record protection functions translate a TLSPlaintext structure into a TLSCiphertext structure. The deprotection functions reverse the process. In TLS 1.3, as opposed to previous versions of TLS, all ciphers are modeled as "Authenticated Encryption with Associated Data" (AEAD) [RFC5116]. AEAD functions provide a unified encryption and authentication operation which turns plaintext into authenticated ciphertext and back again. Each encrypted record consists of a plaintext header followed by an encrypted body, which itself contains a type and optional padding.

AEAD algorithms take as input a single key, a nonce, a plaintext, and "additional data" to be included in the authentication check, as described in <a href="Section 2.1 of [RFC5116]">Section 2.1 of [RFC5116]</a>. The key is either the client\_write\_key or the server\_write\_key, the nonce is derived from the sequence number and the client\_write\_iv or server\_write\_iv (see <a href="Section 5.3">Section 5.3</a>), and the additional data input is the record header.

I.e.,

The AEAD approach enables applications that need cryptographic security services to more easily adopt those services. It benefits the application designer by allowing them to focus on important issues such as security services, canonicalization, and data marshaling, and relieving them of the need to design crypto mechanisms that meet their security goals. Importantly, the security of an AEAD algorithm can be analyzed independent from its use in a particular application. This property frees the user of the AEAD of the need to consider security aspects such as the relative order of authentication and encryption and the security of the particular combination of cipher and MAC, such as the potential loss of

confidentiality through the MAC. The application designer that uses the AEAD interface need not select a particular AEAD algorithm during the design stage. Additionally, the interface to the AEAD is relatively simple, since it requires only a single key as input and requires only a single identifier to indicate the algorithm in use in a particular case.

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### **2.1**. Authenticated Encryption

The <u>authenticated encryption operation has four inputs</u>, each of which is an octet string:

A  $\underline{\text{secret key K}}$ , which MUST be generated in a way that is uniformly random or pseudorandom.

A nonce N. Each nonce provided to distinct invocations of the Authenticated Encryption operation MUST be distinct, for any particular value of the key, unless each and every nonce is zero-length. Applications that can generate distinct nonces SHOULD use the nonce formation method defined in <a href="Section 3.2">Section 3.2</a>, and MAY use any other method that meets the uniqueness requirement. Other applications SHOULD use zero-length nonces.

A plaintext P, which contains the data to be encrypted and authenticated.

The associated data A, which contains the data to be authenticated, but not encrypted.

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# 2.2. Authenticated Decryption

Second decryption algorithm

The authenticated decryption operation has four inputs: K, N, A, and C, as defined above. It has only a single output, either a plaintext value P or a special symbol FAIL that indicates that the inputs are not authentic. A ciphertext C, a nonce N, and associated data A are authentic for key K when C is generated by the encrypt operation with inputs K, N, P, and A, for some values of N, P, and A. The authenticated decrypt operation will, with high probability, return FAIL whenever the inputs N, P, and A were crafted by a noncerespecting adversary that does not know the secret key (assuming that the AEAD algorithm is secure).

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The AEAD output consists of the ciphertext output from the AEAD encryption operation. The length of the plaintext is greater than the corresponding TLSPlaintext.length due to the inclusion of TLSInnerPlaintext.type and any padding supplied by the sender. The length of the AEAD output will generally be larger than the plaintext, but by an amount that varies with the AEAD algorithm.

Each AEAD algorithm will specify a range of possible lengths for the per-record nonce, from N\_MIN bytes to N\_MAX bytes of input [RFC5116]. The length of the TLS per-record nonce (iv\_length) is set to the larger of 8 bytes and N\_MIN for the AEAD algorithm (see [RFC5116], Section 4). An AEAD algorithm where N\_MAX is less than 8 bytes MUST NOT be used with TLS. The per-record nonce for the AEAD construction is formed as follows: https://datatracker.ietf.org/doc/html/rfc8446#section-1

This specification defines the following cipher suites for use with TLS 1.3.

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Description	Value
TLS_AES_128_GCM_SHA256	{0x13,0x01}
TLS_AES_256_GCM_SHA384	{0x13,0x02}
TLS_CHACHA20_POLY1305_SHA256	{0x13,0x03}
TLS_AES_128_CCM_SHA256	{0x13,0x04}
TLS_AES_128_CCM_8_SHA256	{0x13,0x05}

All handshake messages after the ServerHello are now encrypted. The newly introduced EncryptedExtensions message allows various extensions previously sent in the clear in the ServerHello to also enjoy confidentiality protection.

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# <u>4.4</u>. Authentication Messages

As discussed in <u>Section 2</u>, TLS generally uses a common set of messages for authentication, key confirmation, and handshake integrity: Certificate, CertificateVerify, and Finished. (The PSK binders also perform key confirmation, in a similar fashion.) These three messages are always sent as the last messages in their handshake flight. The Certificate and CertificateVerify messages are only sent under certain circumstances, as defined below. The Finished message is always sent as part of the Authentication Block. These messages are encrypted under keys derived from the [sender]\_handshake\_traffic\_secret.

```
Figure 1 below shows the basic full TLS handshake:
        Client
                                                           Server
 Key ^ ClientHello
 Exch | + key_share*
        + signature_algorithms*
        + psk_key_exchange_modes*
      v + pre_shared_key*
                                                     ServerHello ^ Key
                                                    + key_share*
                                                                  | Exch
                                               + pre_shared_key*
                                           {EncryptedExtensions}
                                                                  ^ Server
                                           {CertificateRequest*}
                                                                  v Params
                                                  {Certificate*}
                                            {CertificateVerify*}
                                                                    Auth
    Digital Content
                                                      {Finished}
                                             [Application Data*]
      ^ {Certificate*}
 Auth | {CertificateVerify*}
      v {Finished}
         [Application Data]
                                 <----> [Application Data]
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```

### 4.4.2. Certificate

This message conveys the endpoint's certificate chain to the peer.

The server MUST send a Certificate message whenever the agreed-upon key exchange method uses certificates for authentication (this includes all key exchange methods defined in this document except PSK).

The client MUST send a Certificate message if and only if the server has requested client authentication via a CertificateRequest message (Section 4.3.2). If the server requests client authentication but no suitable certificate is available, the client MUST send a Certificate message containing no certificates (i.e., with the "certificate\_list" field having length 0). A Finished message MUST be sent regardless of whether the Certificate message is empty.

### 4.4.2.3. Client Certificate Selection

The following rules apply to certificates sent by the client:

- The certificate type MUST be X.509v3 [RFC5280], unless explicitly negotiated otherwise (e.g., [RFC7250]).
- If the "certificate\_authorities" extension in the CertificateRequest message was present, at least one of the certificates in the certificate chain SHOULD be issued by one of the listed CAs.
- The certificates MUST be signed using an acceptable signature algorithm, as described in <u>Section 4.3.2</u>. Note that this relaxes the constraints on certificate-signing algorithms found in prior versions of TLS.
- If the CertificateRequest message contained a non-empty "oid\_filters" extension, the end-entity certificate MUST match the extension OIDs that are recognized by the client, as described in Section 4.2.5.

### 4.4.3. Certificate Verify

This message is used to provide explicit proof that an endpoint possesses the private key corresponding to its certificate. The CertificateVerify message also provides integrity for the handshake up to this point. Servers MUST send this message when authenticating via a certificate. Clients MUST send this message whenever authenticating via a certificate (i.e., when the Certificate message is non-empty). When sent, this message MUST appear immediately after the Certificate message and immediately prior to the Finished message.

Structure of this message:

```
struct {
    SignatureScheme algorithm;
    opaque signature<0..2^16-1>;
} CertificateVerify;
```

The algorithm field specifies the signature algorithm used (see Section 4.2.3 for the definition of this type). The signature is a digital signature using that algorithm. The content that is covered under the signature is the hash output as described in Section 4.4.1, namely:

# 4.3.2. Certificate Request

A server which is authenticating with a certificate MAY optionally request a certificate from the client. This message, if sent, MUST follow EncryptedExtensions.

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Structure of this message:
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```
struct {
    opaque certificate_request_context<0..2^8-1>;
    Extension extensions<2..2^16-1>;
} CertificateRequest;
```

certificate\_request\_context: An opaque string which identifies the certificate request and which will be echoed in the client's Certificate message. The certificate\_request\_context MUST be unique within the scope of this connection (thus preventing replay of client CertificateVerify messages). This field SHALL be zero length unless used for the post-handshake authentication exchanges described in <a href="Section 4.6.2">Section 4.6.2</a>. When requesting post-handshake authentication, the server SHOULD make the context unpredictable to the client (e.g., by randomly generating it) in order to prevent an attacker who has temporary access to the client's private key from pre-computing valid CertificateVerify messages.

extensions: A set of extensions describing the parameters of the certificate being requested. The "signature\_algorithms" extension MUST be specified, and other extensions may optionally be included if defined for this message. Clients MUST ignore unrecognized extensions.

- RSASSA-PSS signature schemes are defined in <u>Section 4.2.3</u>.
- The "supported\_versions" ClientHello extension can be used to negotiate the version of TLS to use, in preference to the legacy\_version field of the ClientHello.
- The "signature\_algorithms\_cert" extension allows a client to indicate which signature algorithms it can validate in X.509 certificates.

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If sent by a client, the signature algorithm used in the signature MUST be one of those present in the supported\_signature\_algorithms field of the "signature\_algorithms" extension in the CertificateRequest message.

In addition, the signature algorithm MUST be compatible with the key in the sender's end-entity certificate. RSA signatures MUST use an RSASSA-PSS algorithm, regardless of whether RSASSA-PKCS1-v1\_5 algorithms appear in "signature\_algorithms". The SHA-1 algorithm MUST NOT be used in any signatures of CertificateVerify messages.

# 4.2.3. Signature Algorithms

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The "extension_data" field of these extensions contains a
SignatureSchemeList value:
   enum {
       /* RSASSA-PKCS1-v1_5 algorithms */
       rsa_pkcs1_sha256(0x0401),
       rsa_pkcs1_sha384(0x0501),
       rsa_pkcs1_sha512(0x0601),
       /* ECDSA algorithms */
       ecdsa_secp256r1_sha256(0x0403),
       ecdsa_secp384r1_sha384(0x0503),
       ecdsa_secp521r1_sha512(0x0603),
       /* RSASSA-PSS algorithms with public key OID rsaEncryption */
       rsa_pss_rsae_sha256(0x0804),
       rsa_pss_rsae_sha384(0x0805),
       rsa_pss_rsae_sha512(0x0806),
       /* EdDSA algorithms */
       ed25519(0x0807),
       ed448(0x0808),
       /* RSASSA-PSS algorithms with public key OID RSASSA-PSS */
       rsa_pss_pss_sha256(0x0809),
       rsa_pss_pss_sha384(0x080a),
       rsa_pss_pss_sha512(0x080b),
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As shown below, the receiving party will be able to decrypt the encrypted message with the provided signature decryption algorithm information i.e., SHA-256 RSA decryption algorithm.

We are now prepared to show that we can decrypt encrypted messages. We can find a pair of large prime numbers p and q, compute n = pq and  $\varphi(n) = (p-1)(q-1)$ , find d which is relatively prime to  $\varphi(n)$ , and compute the value e for which  $de = 1 \pmod{\varphi(n)}$ . we know that de-1 is divisible by  $\varphi(n)$ , so there is a number k satisfying  $de = 1 + k\varphi(n)$ .

Recall from Section II that (e, n) is the encryption key and (d, n) is the decryption key. If m is a plaintext message, then the ciphertext is

$$c = m^e \mod n$$
.

First encryption

To decrypt, we compute  $c^d \mod n$  to obtain

 $c^d \mod n = (m^e \mod n)^d \mod n = m^{de} \mod n = m^{1+k\varphi(n)} \mod n.$ 

The result of Exercise 3.13 tells us that

 $m \equiv m^{1+k\varphi(n)} \pmod{n},$ 

First decryption

https://cs.pomona.edu/~dkauchak/classes/s17/cs52-s17/handouts/encryption.pdf

The solution to the problem is that one never signs an actual message. Rather one signs a value derived from that message. A *cryptographic hash function* is a function that computes a *message authentication code* from a message. The message authentication code is of fixed size, typically 160 of 512 bits long. The function is designed so that it is extremely unlikely that two different messages will correspond

to the same code. You may have seen references to the commonly used hash functions MD5, SHA-1, and SHA-256. Suppose that H is a cryptographic hash function. To sign a message m, party A computes  $h = D_A(H(m))$  and sends  $E_B(m,h)$  to B. Party B now has evidence that A signed m because  $E_A(h) = H(m)$ , and A is the only one who could have generated a value h with that property.

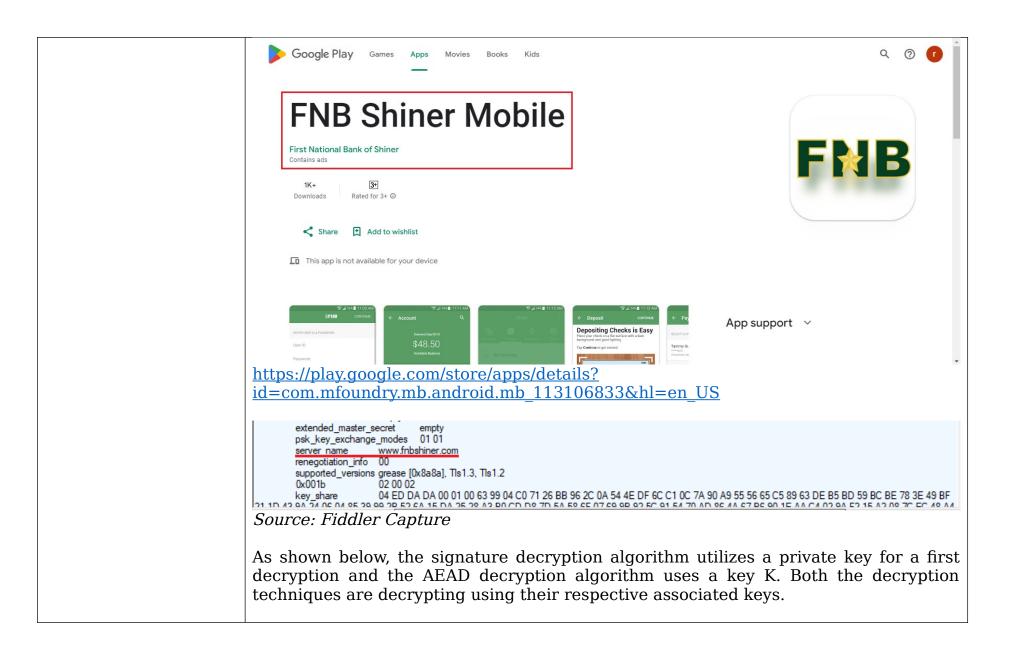
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3. The method of claim 2, wherein the decrypting is done using a key associated with each decryption algorithm.

The standard practices the method such that the decrypting is done using a key (e.g., decryption key) associated with each decryption algorithm (e.g., signature decryption algorithm such as SHA-256RSA, etc., and AEAD decryption algorithm such as TLS\_AES\_256\_GCM\_SHA384, etc.).







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The "extension_data" field of these extensions contains a
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   enum {
       /* RSASSA-PKCS1-v1_5 algorithms */
       rsa_pkcs1_sha256(0x0401),
       rsa_pkcs1_sha384(0x0501),
       rsa_pkcs1_sha512(0x0601),
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       ecdsa_secp256r1_sha256(0x0403),
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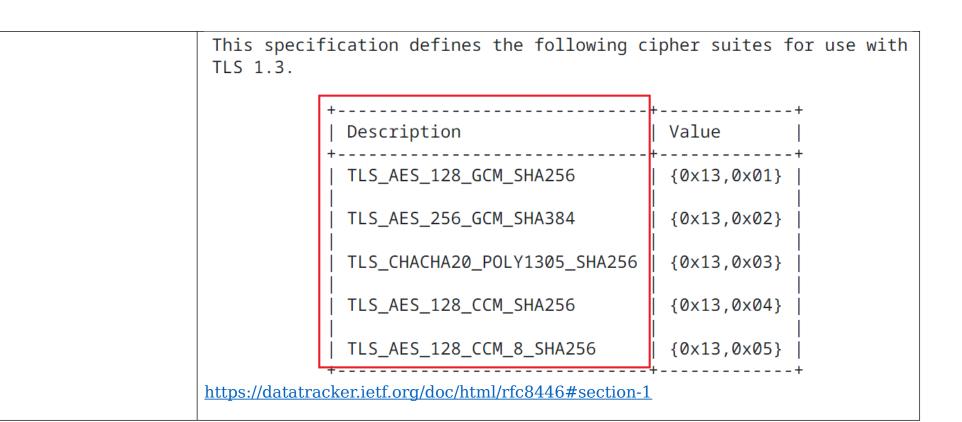
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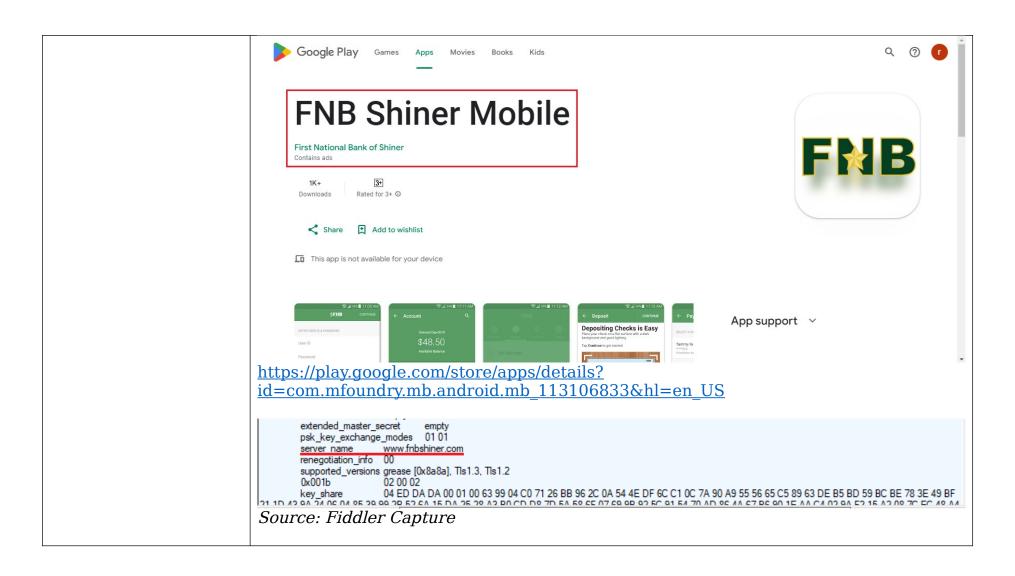
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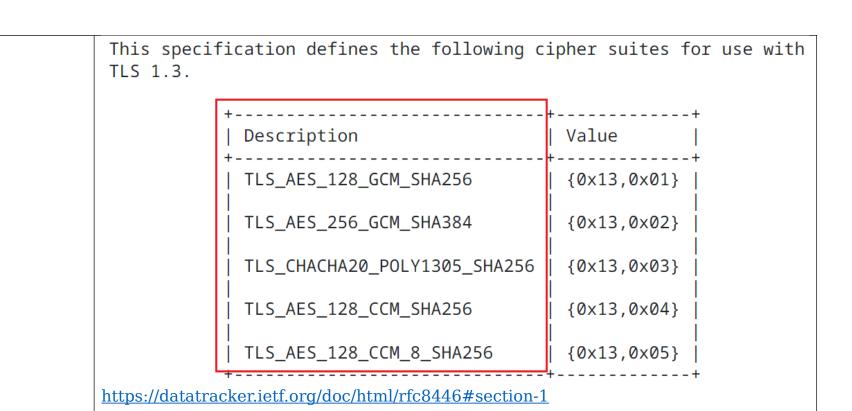
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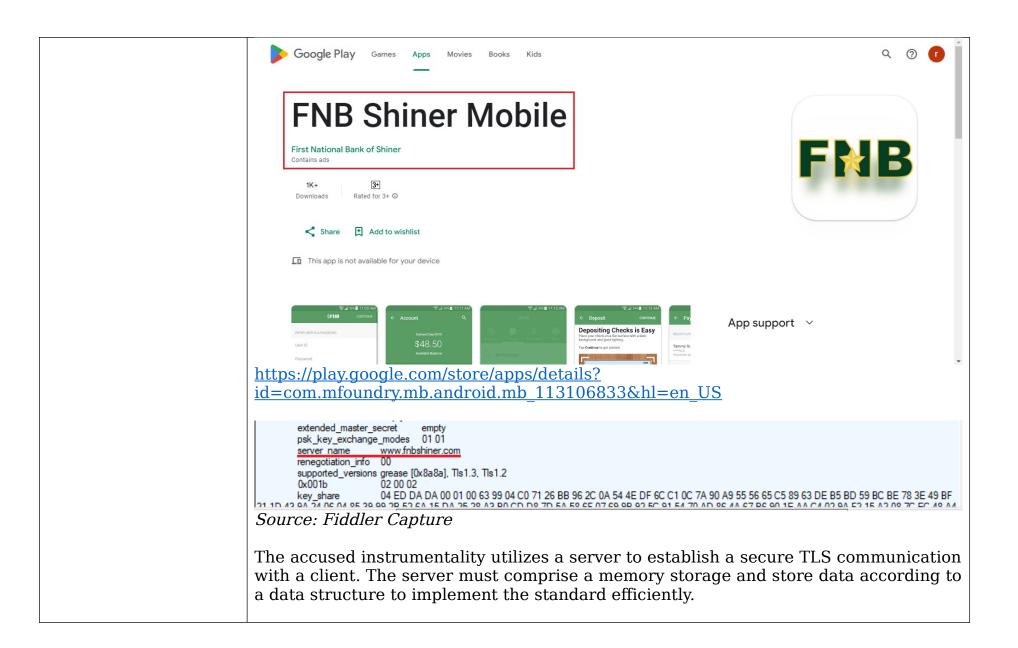
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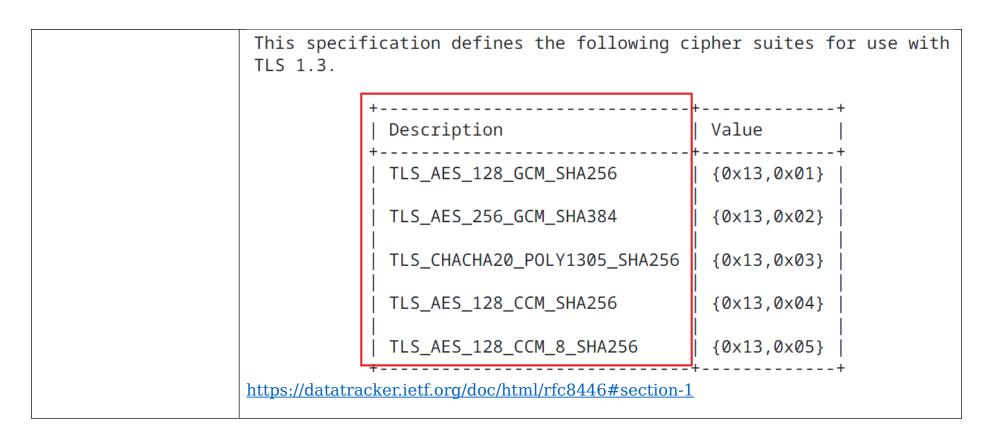
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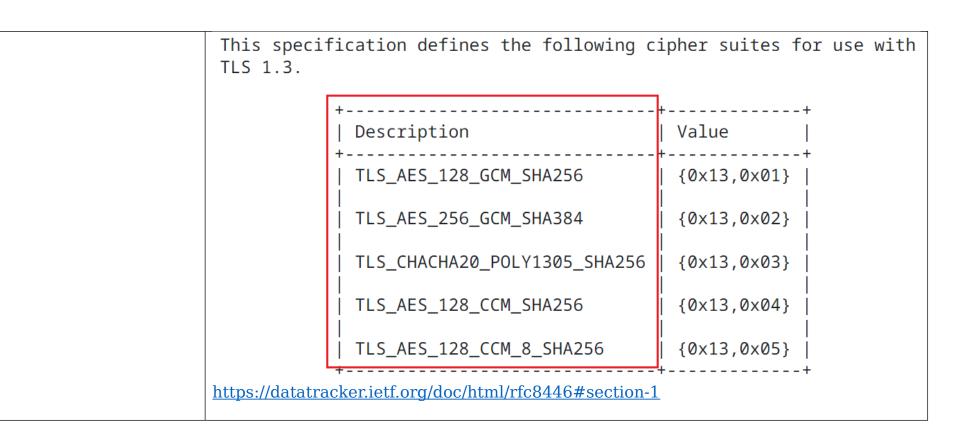
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# 2.2. Authenticated Decryption

The authenticated decryption operation has four inputs: K, N, A, and C, as defined above. It has only a single output, either a plaintext value P or a special symbol FAIL that indicates that the inputs are not authentic. A ciphertext C, a nonce N, and associated data A are authentic for key K when C is generated by the encrypt operation with inputs K, N, P, and A, for some values of N, P, and A. The authenticated decrypt operation will, with high probability, return FAIL whenever the inputs N, P, and A were crafted by a noncerespecting adversary that does not know the secret key (assuming that the AEAD algorithm is secure).

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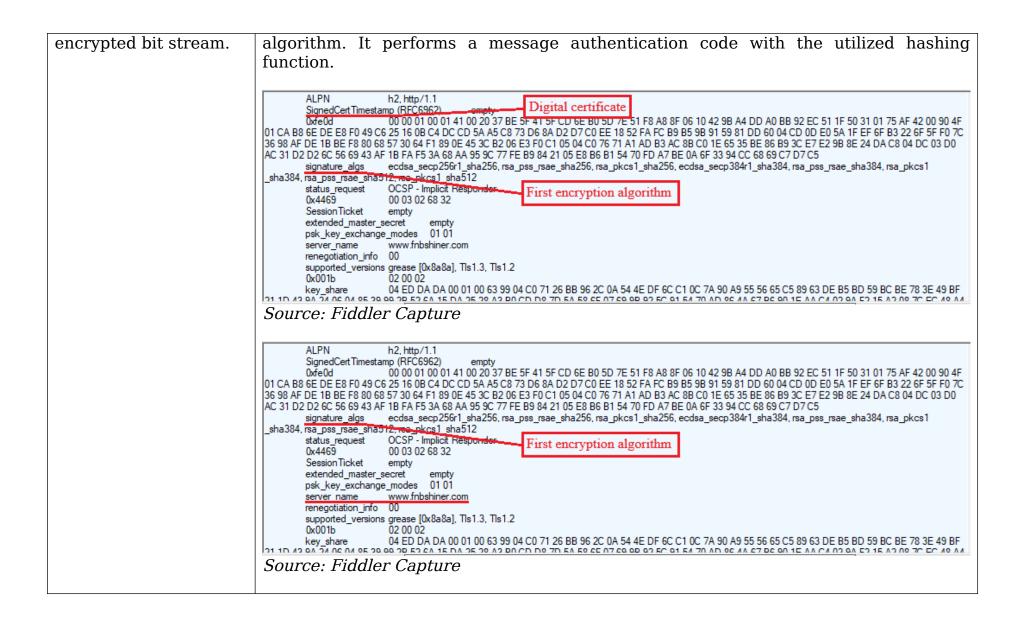
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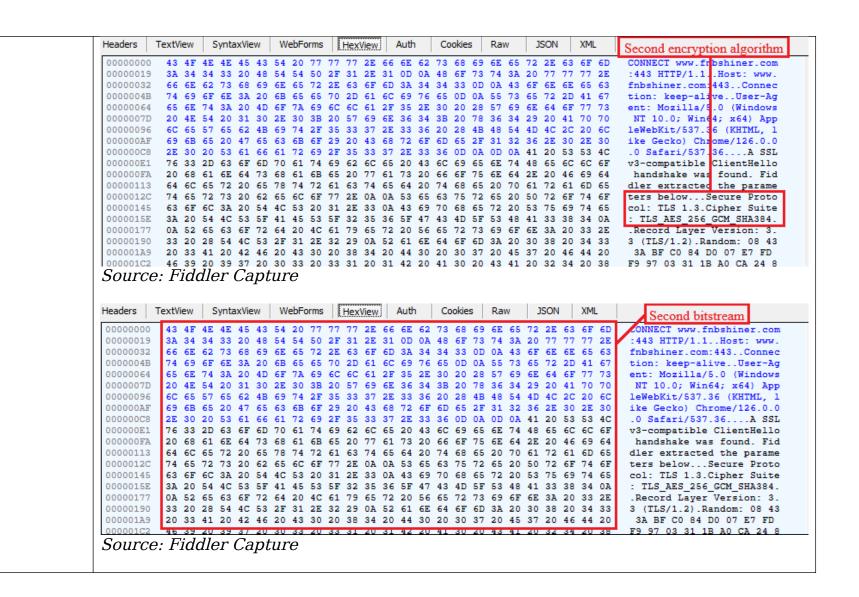
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The solution to the problem is that one never signs an actual message.

Rather one signs a value derived from that message. A *cryptographic hash function* is a function that computes a *message authentication* code from a message. The message authentication code is of fixed size, typically 160 of 512 bits long. The function is designed so that it is extremely unlikely that two different messages will correspond to the same code. You may have seen references to the commonly used hash functions MD5, SHA-1, and SHA-256. Suppose that H is a cryptographic hash function. To sign a message m, party A computes  $h = D_A(H(m))$  and sends  $E_B(m, h)$  to B. Party B now has evidence that A signed m because  $E_A(h) = H(m)$ , and A is the only one who could have generated a value h with that property.

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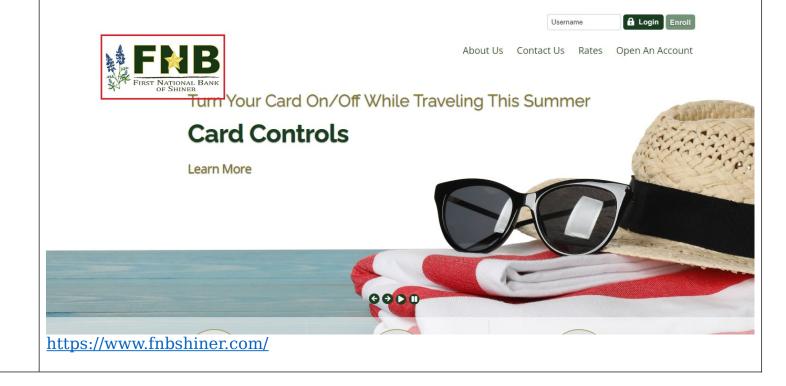
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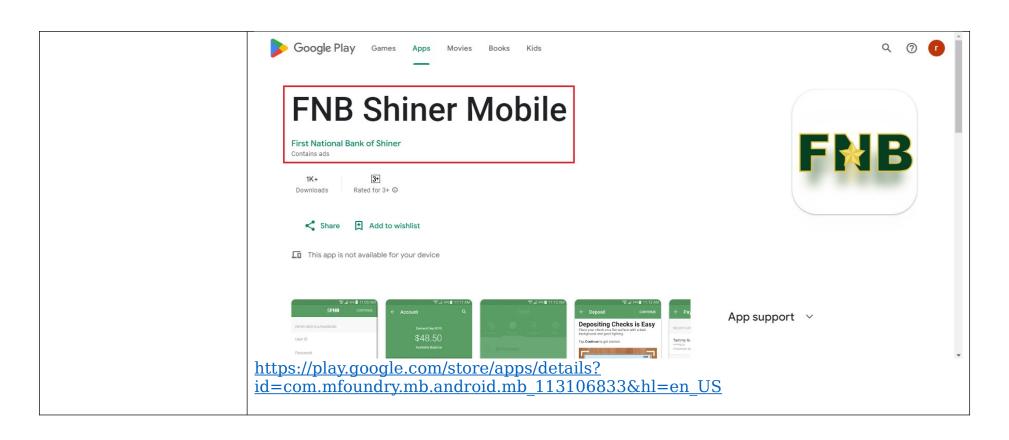
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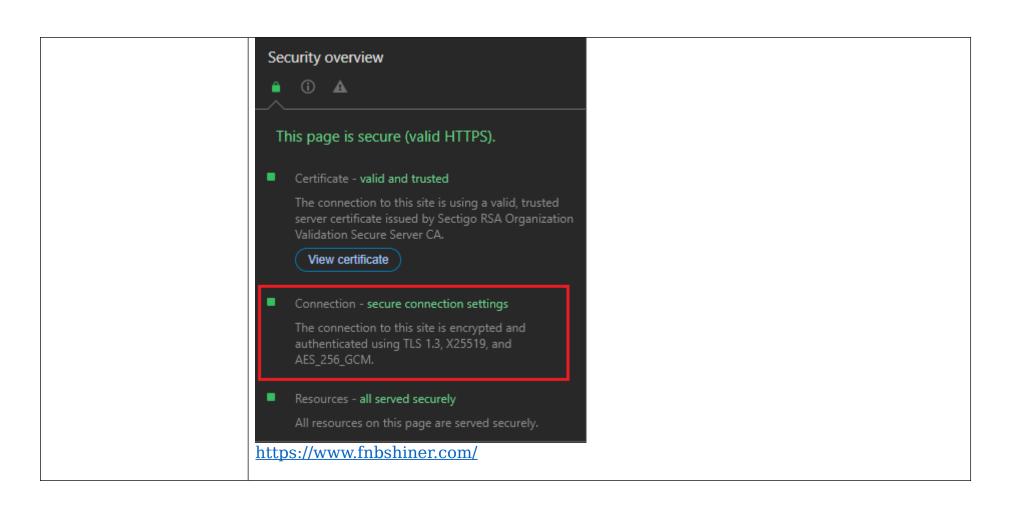
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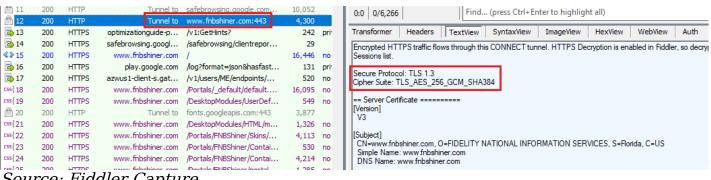
# The Transport Layer Security (TLS) Protocol Version 1.3

#### Abstract

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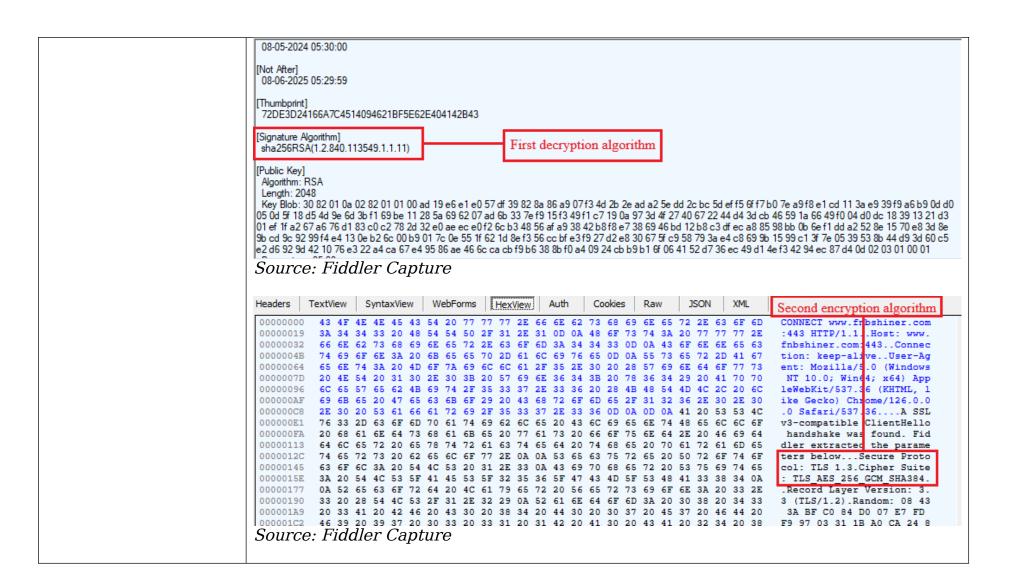
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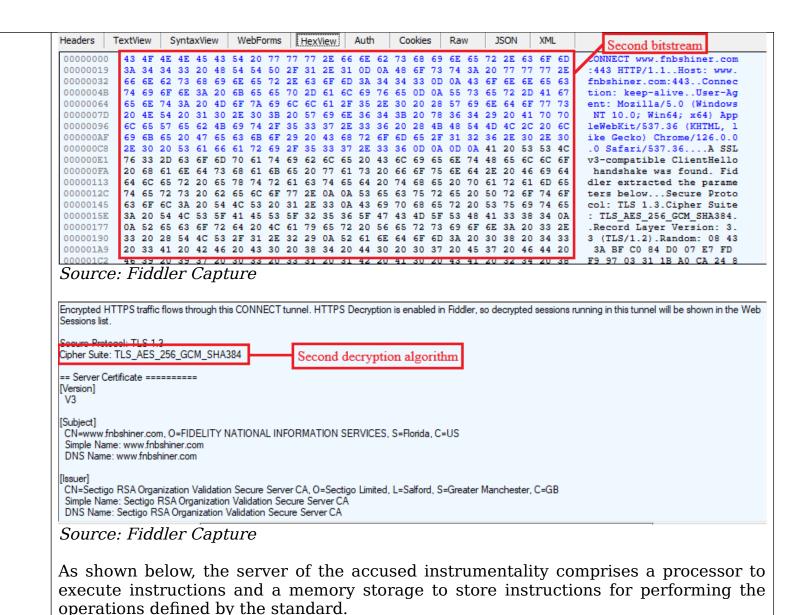
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# 2. Processor









The CPU -- or simply processor -- is a complex microcircuitry device that serves as the foundation of all computer operations. It supports hundreds of possible commands hardwired into hundreds of millions of transistors to process low-level software instructions -- microcode -- and data and derive a desired logical or mathematical result. The processor works closely with memory, which both holds the software instructions and data to be processed as well as the results or output of those processor operations.

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# 3. Random access memory











RAM is the main type of memory in a computing system.

RAM holds the software instructions and data needed by the processor, along with any output from the processor, such as data to be moved to a storage device. Thus, RAM works very closely with the processor and must match the processor's incredible speed and performance. This kind of fast memory is usually termed <a href="mailto:dynamic RAM">dynamic RAM</a>, and several DRAM variations are available for servers.

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# 4. Hard disk drive





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This hardware is responsible for reading, writing and positioning of the hard disk, which is one technology for data storage on server hardware. Developed at IBM in 1953, the hard disk drive (HDD) has evolved over time from the size of a refrigerator to the standard 2.5-inch and 3.5-inch form factors.

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Because the ClientHello indicates the time at which the client sent it, it is possible to efficiently determine whether a ClientHello was likely sent reasonably recently and only accept 0-RTT for such a ClientHello, otherwise falling back to a 1-RTT handshake. This is necessary for the ClientHello storage mechanism described in Section 8.2 because otherwise the server needs to store an unlimited number of ClientHellos, and is a useful optimization for selfcontained single-use tickets because it allows efficient rejection of ClientHellos which cannot be used for 0-RTT.

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The standard defines four record message types, including a handshake message type. The handshake messages are communicated to establish a secure channel for TLS communication. A client device and a server negotiate an AEAD algorithm for encrypting TLS record message data. It discloses that after Hello handshake messages i.e., a ClientHello message and a ServerHello message, all handshake messages are encrypted with the negotiated encryption algorithm. One of the handshake messages after hello handshake messages i.e., an authentication message from the client, comprises a digital certificate encrypted by a signature encryption algorithm and a certificate verify message comprising information related to the signature decryption algorithm.

As shown below, the digital certificate is encrypted with the signature encryption algorithm and the certificate verify message, associated with the encrypted digital certificate, has a signature algorithm extension field that provides information related to the signature decryption algorithm. The authentication message is a TLS plaintext handshake message. This message is again encrypted with the negotiated AEAD encryption algorithm, e.g., recursive security protocol. The AEAD encrypted message is communicated between the client and the server.

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The cryptographic parameters used by the secure channel are produced by the TLS handshake protocol. This sub-protocol of TLS is used by the client and server when first communicating with each other. The handshake protocol allows peers to negotiate a protocol version, select cryptographic algorithms, optionally authenticate each other, and establish shared secret keying material. Once the handshake is complete, the peers use the established keys to protect the application-layer traffic.

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# TLS consists of two primary components:

- A handshake protocol (<u>Section 4</u>) that authenticates the communicating parties, <u>negotiates cryptographic modes and parameters</u>, and establishes shared keying material. The handshake protocol is designed to resist tampering, an active attacker should not be able to force the peers to negotiate different parameters than they would if the connection were not under attack.

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- A record protocol (<u>Section 5</u>) that uses the parameters established by the handshake protocol to protect traffic between the communicating peers. The record protocol divides traffic up into a series of records, each of which is independently protected using the traffic keys.

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All handshake messages after the ServerHello are now encrypted. The newly introduced EncryptedExtensions message allows various extensions previously sent in the clear in the ServerHello to also enjoy confidentiality protection.

### **4.4**. Authentication Messages

As discussed in <u>Section 2</u>, TLS generally uses a common set of messages for authentication, key confirmation, and handshake integrity: Certificate, CertificateVerify, and Finished. (The PSK binders also perform key confirmation, in a similar fashion.) These three messages are always sent as the last messages in their handshake flight. The Certificate and CertificateVerify messages are only sent under certain circumstances, as defined below. The Finished message is always sent as part of the Authentication Block. These messages are encrypted under keys derived from the [sender]\_handshake\_traffic\_secret.

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Figure 1 below shows the basic full TLS handshake:
        Client
                                                           Server
 Key ^ ClientHello
 Exch | + key_share*
        + signature_algorithms*
        + psk_key_exchange_modes*
      v + pre_shared_key*
                                                     ServerHello ^ Key
                                                    + key_share*
                                                                  | Exch
                                               + pre_shared_key*
                                           {EncryptedExtensions}
                                                                  ^ Server
                                           {CertificateRequest*}
                                                                  v Params
                                                  {Certificate*}
                                            {CertificateVerify*}
                                                                    Auth
    Digital Content
                                                      {Finished}
                                             [Application Data*]
      ^ {Certificate*}
 Auth | {CertificateVerify*}
      v {Finished}
         [Application Data]
                                 <----> [Application Data]
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# 4.1.1. Cryptographic Negotiation

In TLS, the cryptographic negotiation proceeds by the client offering the following four sets of options in its ClientHello:

- A list of cipher suites which indicates the AEAD algorithm/HKDF hash pairs which the client supports.

A "supported\_groups" (<u>Section 4.2.7</u>) extension which indicates the (EC)DHE groups which the client supports and a "key\_share" (<u>Section 4.2.8</u>) extension which contains (EC)DHE shares for some or all of these groups.

- A "signature\_algorithms" (<u>Section 4.2.3</u>) extension which indicates the signature algorithms which the client can accept. A "signature\_algorithms\_cert" extension (<u>Section 4.2.3</u>) may also be added to indicate certificate-specific signature algorithms.
  - A "pre\_shared\_key" (<u>Section 4.2.11</u>) extension which contains a list of symmetric key identities known to the client and a "psk\_key\_exchange\_modes" (<u>Section 4.2.9</u>) extension which indicates the key exchange modes that may be used with PSKs.

### 4.4.2. Certificate

This message conveys the endpoint's certificate chain to the peer.

The server MUST send a Certificate message whenever the agreed-upon key exchange method uses certificates for authentication (this includes all key exchange methods defined in this document except PSK).

The client MUST send a Certificate message if and only if the server has requested client authentication via a CertificateRequest message (Section 4.3.2). If the server requests client authentication but no suitable certificate is available, the client MUST send a Certificate message containing no certificates (i.e., with the "certificate\_list" field having length 0). A Finished message MUST be sent regardless of whether the Certificate message is empty.

#### 4.4.2.3. Client Certificate Selection

The following rules apply to certificates sent by the client:

- The certificate type MUST be X.509v3 [RFC5280], unless explicitly negotiated otherwise (e.g., [RFC7250]).
- If the "certificate\_authorities" extension in the CertificateRequest message was present, at least one of the certificates in the certificate chain SHOULD be issued by one of the listed CAs.
- The certificates MUST be signed using an acceptable signature algorithm, as described in <u>Section 4.3.2</u>. Note that this relaxes the constraints on certificate-signing algorithms found in prior versions of TLS.
- If the CertificateRequest message contained a non-empty "oid\_filters" extension, the end-entity certificate MUST match the extension OIDs that are recognized by the client, as described in Section 4.2.5.

#### 4.4.3. Certificate Verify

This message is used to provide explicit proof that an endpoint possesses the private key corresponding to its certificate. The CertificateVerify message also provides integrity for the handshake up to this point. Servers MUST send this message when authenticating via a certificate. Clients MUST send this message whenever authenticating via a certificate (i.e., when the Certificate message is non-empty). When sent, this message MUST appear immediately after the Certificate message and immediately prior to the Finished message.

Structure of this message:

```
struct {
    SignatureScheme algorithm;
    opaque signature<0..2^16-1>;
} CertificateVerify;
```

The algorithm field specifies the signature algorithm used (see Section 4.2.3 for the definition of this type). The signature is a digital signature using that algorithm. The content that is covered under the signature is the hash output as described in Section 4.4.1, namely:

### 4.3.2. Certificate Request

A server which is authenticating with a certificate MAY optionally request a certificate from the client. This message, if sent, MUST follow EncryptedExtensions.

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Structure of this message:  \\
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struct {
    opaque certificate_request_context<0..2^8-1>;
    Extension extensions<2..2^16-1>;
} CertificateRequest;
```

certificate\_request\_context: An opaque string which identifies the certificate request and which will be echoed in the client's Certificate message. The certificate\_request\_context MUST be unique within the scope of this connection (thus preventing replay of client CertificateVerify messages). This field SHALL be zero length unless used for the post-handshake authentication exchanges described in <a href="Section 4.6.2">Section 4.6.2</a>. When requesting post-handshake authentication, the server SHOULD make the context unpredictable to the client (e.g., by randomly generating it) in order to prevent an attacker who has temporary access to the client's private key from pre-computing valid CertificateVerify messages.

extensions: A set of extensions describing the parameters of the certificate being requested. The "signature\_algorithms" extension MUST be specified, and other extensions may optionally be included if defined for this message. Clients MUST ignore unrecognized extensions.

If sent by a client, the signature algorithm used in the signature MUST be one of those present in the supported\_signature\_algorithms field of the "signature\_algorithms" extension in the CertificateRequest message.

In addition, the signature algorithm MUST be compatible with the key in the sender's end-entity certificate. RSA signatures MUST use an RSASSA-PSS algorithm, regardless of whether RSASSA-PKCS1-v1\_5 algorithms appear in "signature\_algorithms". The SHA-1 algorithm MUST NOT be used in any signatures of CertificateVerify messages.

# 4.2.3. Signature Algorithms

TLS 1.3 provides two extensions for indicating which signature algorithms may be used in digital signatures. The "signature\_algorithms\_cert" extension applies to signatures in certificates, and the "signature\_algorithms" extension, which originally appeared in TLS 1.2, applies to signatures in CertificateVerify messages. The keys found in certificates MUST also be of appropriate type for the signature algorithms they are used with. This is a particular issue for RSA keys and PSS signatures, as described below. If no "signature algorithms cert" extension is present, then the "signature\_algorithms" extension also applies to signatures appearing in certificates. Clients which desire the server to authenticate itself via a certificate MUST send the "signature\_algorithms" extension. If a server is authenticating via a certificate and the client has not sent a "signature\_algorithms" extension, then the server MUST abort the handshake with a "missing\_extension" alert (see <a href="Section 9.2">Section 9.2</a>).

The "signature\_algorithms\_cert" extension was added to allow implementations which supported different sets of algorithms for certificates and in TLS itself to clearly signal their capabilities. TLS 1.2 implementations SHOULD also process this extension. Implementations which have the same policy in both cases MAY omit the "signature\_algorithms\_cert" extension.

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The "extension_data" field of these extensions contains a
SignatureSchemeList value:
   enum {
       /* RSASSA-PKCS1-v1_5 algorithms */
       rsa_pkcs1_sha256(0x0401),
       rsa_pkcs1_sha384(0x0501),
       rsa_pkcs1_sha512(0x0601),
       /* ECDSA algorithms */
       ecdsa_secp256r1_sha256(0x0403),
       ecdsa_secp384r1_sha384(0x0503),
       ecdsa_secp521r1_sha512(0x0603),
       /* RSASSA-PSS algorithms with public key OID rsaEncryption */
       rsa_pss_rsae_sha256(0x0804),
       rsa_pss_rsae_sha384(0x0805),
       rsa_pss_rsae_sha512(0x0806),
       /* EdDSA algorithms */
       ed25519(0x0807),
       ed448(0x0808),
       /* RSASSA-PSS algorithms with public key OID RSASSA-PSS */
       rsa_pss_pss_sha256(0x0809),
       rsa_pss_pss_sha384(0x080a),
       rsa_pss_pss_sha512(0x080b),
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#### Introduction

The primary goal of TLS is to provide a secure channel between two communicating peers; the only requirement from the underlying transport is a reliable, in-order data stream. Specifically, the secure channel should provide the following properties:

Authentication: The server side of the channel is always authenticated; the client side is optionally authenticated.
 Authentication can happen via asymmetric cryptography (e.g., RSA [RSA], the Elliptic Curve Digital Signature Algorithm (ECDSA) [ECDSA], or the Edwards-Curve Digital Signature Algorithm (EdDSA) [RFC8032]) or a symmetric pre-shared key (PSK).

First encryption

- Confidentiality: Data sent over the channel after establishment is only visible to the endpoints. TLS does not hide the length of the data it transmits, though endpoints are able to pad TLS records in order to obscure lengths and improve protection against traffic analysis techniques.
- Integrity: Data sent over the channel after establishment cannot be modified by attackers without detection.

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## <u>5.1</u>. Record Layer

The record layer fragments information blocks into TLSPlaintext records carrying data in chunks of 2^14 bytes or less. Message boundaries are handled differently depending on the underlying ContentType. Any future content types MUST specify appropriate rules. Note that these rules are stricter than what was enforced in TLS 1.2.

Handshake messages MAY be coalesced into a single TLSPlaintext record or fragmented across several records, provided that:

- Handshake messages MUST NOT be interleaved with other record types. That is, if a handshake message is split over two or more records, there MUST NOT be any other records between them.

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#### 5.2. Record Payload Protection

The record protection functions translate a TLSPlaintext structure into a TLSCiphertext structure. The deprotection functions reverse the process. In TLS 1.3, as opposed to previous versions of TLS, all ciphers are modeled as "Authenticated Encryption with Associated Data" (AEAD) [RFC5116]. AEAD functions provide a unified encryption and authentication operation which turns plaintext into authenticated ciphertext and back again. Each encrypted record consists of a plaintext header followed by an encrypted body, which itself contains a type and optional padding.

AEAD algorithms take as input a single key, a nonce, a plaintext, and "additional data" to be included in the authentication check, as described in <a href="Section 2.1 of [RFC5116">Section 2.1 of [RFC5116]</a>. The key is either the client\_write\_key or the server\_write\_key, the nonce is derived from the sequence number and the client\_write\_iv or server\_write\_iv (see <a href="Section 5.3">Section 5.3</a>), and the additional data input is the record header.

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The AEAD approach enables applications that need cryptographic security services to more easily adopt those services. It benefits the application designer by allowing them to focus on important issues such as security services, canonicalization, and data marshaling, and relieving them of the need to design crypto mechanisms that meet their security goals. Importantly, the security of an AEAD algorithm can be analyzed independent from its use in a particular application. This property frees the user of the AEAD of the need to consider security aspects such as the relative order of authentication and encryption and the security of the particular combination of cipher and MAC, such as the potential loss of

confidentiality through the MAC. The application designer that uses the AEAD interface need not select a particular AEAD algorithm during the design stage. Additionally, the interface to the AEAD is relatively simple, since it requires only a single key as input and requires only a single identifier to indicate the algorithm in use in a particular case.

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#### **2.1**. Authenticated Encryption

The <u>authenticated encryption operation has four inputs</u>, each of which is an octet string:

A  $\underline{\text{secret key K}}$ , which MUST be generated in a way that is uniformly random or pseudorandom.

A nonce N. Each nonce provided to distinct invocations of the Authenticated Encryption operation MUST be distinct, for any particular value of the key, unless each and every nonce is zero-length. Applications that can generate distinct nonces SHOULD use the nonce formation method defined in <a href="Section 3.2">Section 3.2</a>, and MAY use any other method that meets the uniqueness requirement. Other applications SHOULD use zero-length nonces.

A plaintext P, which contains the data to be encrypted and authenticated.

The associated data A, which contains the data to be authenticated, but not encrypted.

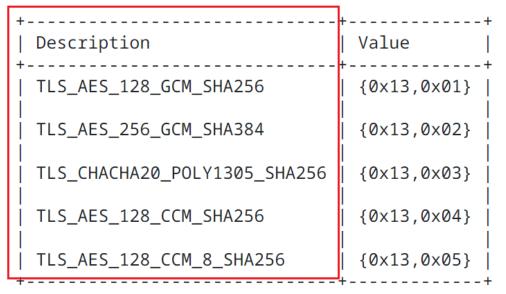
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Each AEAD algorithm will specify a range of possible lengths for the per-record nonce, from N\_MIN bytes to N\_MAX bytes of input [RFC5116]. The length of the TLS per-record nonce (iv\_length) is set to the larger of 8 bytes and N\_MIN for the AEAD algorithm (see [RFC5116], Section 4). An AEAD algorithm where N\_MAX is less than 8 bytes MUST NOT be used with TLS. The per-record nonce for the AEAD construction is formed as follows: https://datatracker.ietf.org/doc/html/rfc8446#section-1

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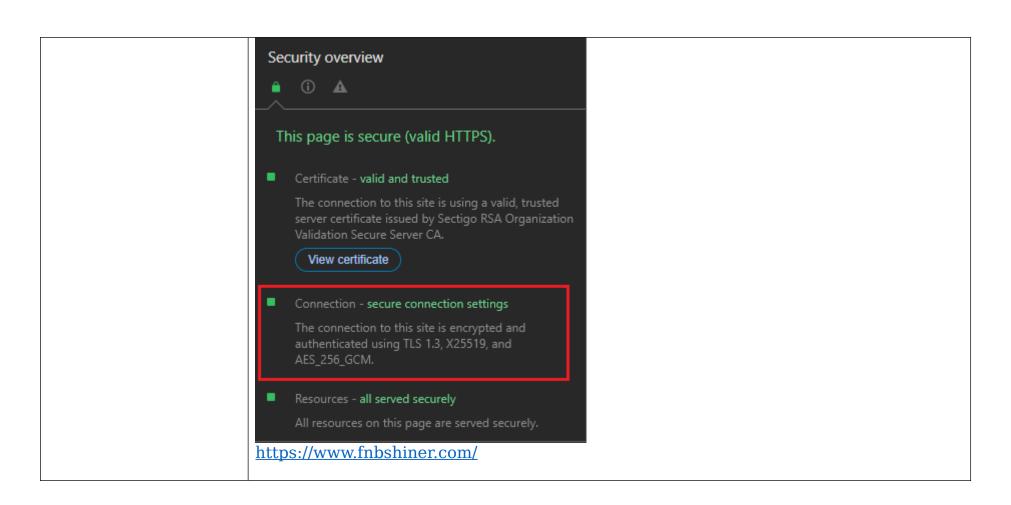


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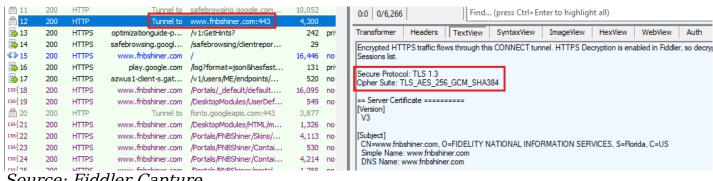
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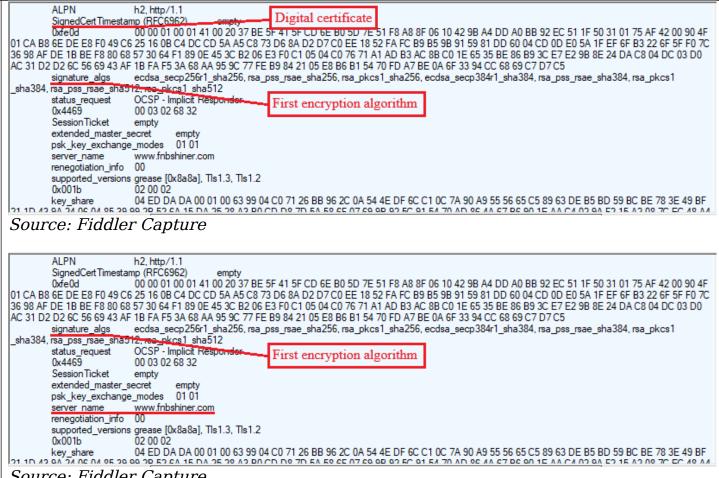
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All handshake messages after the ServerHello are now encrypted. The newly introduced EncryptedExtensions message allows various extensions previously sent in the clear in the ServerHello to also enjoy confidentiality protection.

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## <u>4.4</u>. Authentication Messages

As discussed in <u>Section 2</u>, TLS generally uses a common set of messages for authentication, key confirmation, and handshake integrity: Certificate, CertificateVerify, and Finished. (The PSK binders also perform key confirmation, in a similar fashion.) These three messages are always sent as the last messages in their handshake flight. The Certificate and CertificateVerify messages are only sent under certain circumstances, as defined below. The Finished message is always sent as part of the Authentication Block. These messages are encrypted under keys derived from the [sender] handshake\_traffic\_secret.

```
Figure 1 below shows the basic full TLS handshake:
        Client
                                                           Server
 Key ^ ClientHello
 Exch | + key_share*
        + signature_algorithms*
        + psk_key_exchange_modes*
      v + pre_shared_key*
                                                     ServerHello ^ Key
                                                    + key_share*
                                                                  | Exch
                                               + pre_shared_key*
                                           {EncryptedExtensions}
                                                                  ^ Server
                                           {CertificateRequest*}
                                                                  v Params
                                                  {Certificate*}
                                            {CertificateVerify*}
                                                                    Auth
    Digital Content
                                                      {Finished}
                                             [Application Data*]
      ^ {Certificate*}
 Auth | {CertificateVerify*}
      v {Finished}
         [Application Data]
                                 <----> [Application Data]
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```

## <u>4.1.1</u>. Cryptographic Negotiation

In TLS, the cryptographic negotiation proceeds by the client offering the following four sets of options in its ClientHello:

- A list of cipher suites which indicates the AEAD algorithm/HKDF hash pairs which the client supports.
- A "supported\_groups" (<u>Section 4.2.7</u>) extension which indicates the (EC)DHE groups which the client supports and a "key\_share" (<u>Section 4.2.8</u>) extension which contains (EC)DHE shares for some or all of these groups.
- A "signature\_algorithms" (Section 4.2.3) extension which indicates the signature algorithms which the client can accept. A "signature\_algorithms\_cert" extension (Section 4.2.3) may also be added to indicate certificate-specific signature algorithms.
  - A "pre\_shared\_key" (<u>Section 4.2.11</u>) extension which contains a list of symmetric key identities known to the client and a "psk\_key\_exchange\_modes" (<u>Section 4.2.9</u>) extension which indicates the key exchange modes that may be used with PSKs.

### 4.4.2. Certificate

This message conveys the endpoint's certificate chain to the peer.

The server MUST send a Certificate message whenever the agreed-upon key exchange method uses certificates for authentication (this includes all key exchange methods defined in this document except PSK).

The client MUST send a Certificate message if and only if the server has requested client authentication via a CertificateRequest message (Section 4.3.2). If the server requests client authentication but no suitable certificate is available, the client MUST send a Certificate message containing no certificates (i.e., with the "certificate\_list" field having length 0). A Finished message MUST be sent regardless of whether the Certificate message is empty.

### 4.4.2.3. Client Certificate Selection

The following rules apply to certificates sent by the client:

- The certificate type MUST be X.509v3 [RFC5280], unless explicitly negotiated otherwise (e.g., [RFC7250]).
- If the "certificate\_authorities" extension in the CertificateRequest message was present, at least one of the certificates in the certificate chain SHOULD be issued by one of the listed CAs.
- The certificates MUST be signed using an acceptable signature algorithm, as described in <u>Section 4.3.2</u>. Note that this relaxes the constraints on certificate-signing algorithms found in prior versions of TLS.
- If the CertificateRequest message contained a non-empty "oid\_filters" extension, the end-entity certificate MUST match the extension OIDs that are recognized by the client, as described in Section 4.2.5.

#### 4.4.3. Certificate Verify

This message is used to provide explicit proof that an endpoint possesses the private key corresponding to its certificate. The CertificateVerify message also provides integrity for the handshake up to this point. Servers MUST send this message when authenticating via a certificate. Clients MUST send this message whenever authenticating via a certificate (i.e., when the Certificate message is non-empty). When sent, this message MUST appear immediately after the Certificate message and immediately prior to the Finished message.

Structure of this message:

```
struct {
    SignatureScheme algorithm;
    opaque signature<0..2^16-1>;
} CertificateVerify;
```

The algorithm field specifies the signature algorithm used (see Section 4.2.3 for the definition of this type). The signature is a digital signature using that algorithm. The content that is covered under the signature is the hash output as described in Section 4.4.1, namely:

### 4.3.2. Certificate Request

A server which is authenticating with a certificate MAY optionally request a certificate from the client. This message, if sent, MUST follow EncryptedExtensions.

```
Structure of this message:
```

```
struct {
    opaque certificate_request_context<0..2^8-1>;
    Extension extensions<2..2^16-1>;
} CertificateRequest;
```

certificate\_request\_context: An opaque string which identifies the certificate request and which will be echoed in the client's Certificate message. The certificate\_request\_context MUST be unique within the scope of this connection (thus preventing replay of client CertificateVerify messages). This field SHALL be zero length unless used for the post-handshake authentication exchanges described in <a href="Section 4.6.2">Section 4.6.2</a>. When requesting post-handshake authentication, the server SHOULD make the context unpredictable to the client (e.g., by randomly generating it) in order to prevent an attacker who has temporary access to the client's private key from pre-computing valid CertificateVerify messages.

extensions: A set of extensions describing the parameters of the certificate being requested. The "signature\_algorithms" extension MUST be specified, and other extensions may optionally be included if defined for this message. Clients MUST ignore unrecognized extensions.

If sent by a client, the signature algorithm used in the signature MUST be one of those present in the supported\_signature\_algorithms field of the "signature\_algorithms" extension in the CertificateRequest message.

In addition, the signature algorithm MUST be compatible with the key in the sender's end-entity certificate. RSA signatures MUST use an RSASSA-PSS algorithm, regardless of whether RSASSA-PKCS1-v1\_5 algorithms appear in "signature\_algorithms". The SHA-1 algorithm MUST NOT be used in any signatures of CertificateVerify messages.

## 4.2.3. Signature Algorithms

TLS 1.3 provides two extensions for indicating which signature algorithms may be used in digital signatures. The "signature\_algorithms\_cert" extension applies to signatures in certificates, and the "signature\_algorithms" extension, which originally appeared in TLS 1.2, applies to signatures in CertificateVerify messages. The keys found in certificates MUST also be of appropriate type for the signature algorithms they are used with. This is a particular issue for RSA keys and PSS signatures, as described below. If no "signature algorithms cert" extension is present, then the "signature\_algorithms" extension also applies to signatures appearing in certificates. Clients which desire the server to authenticate itself via a certificate MUST send the "signature\_algorithms" extension. If a server is authenticating via a certificate and the client has not sent a "signature\_algorithms" extension, then the server MUST abort the handshake with a "missing\_extension" alert (see <a href="Section 9.2">Section 9.2</a>).

The "signature\_algorithms\_cert" extension was added to allow implementations which supported different sets of algorithms for certificates and in TLS itself to clearly signal their capabilities. TLS 1.2 implementations SHOULD also process this extension. Implementations which have the same policy in both cases MAY omit the "signature\_algorithms\_cert" extension.

```
The "extension_data" field of these extensions contains a
SignatureSchemeList value:
   enum {
       /* RSASSA-PKCS1-v1_5 algorithms */
       rsa_pkcs1_sha256(0x0401),
       rsa_pkcs1_sha384(0x0501),
       rsa_pkcs1_sha512(0x0601),
       /* ECDSA algorithms */
       ecdsa_secp256r1_sha256(0x0403),
       ecdsa_secp384r1_sha384(0x0503),
       ecdsa_secp521r1_sha512(0x0603),
       /* RSASSA-PSS algorithms with public key OID rsaEncryption */
       rsa_pss_rsae_sha256(0x0804),
       rsa_pss_rsae_sha384(0x0805),
       rsa_pss_rsae_sha512(0x0806),
       /* EdDSA algorithms */
       ed25519(0x0807),
       ed448(0x0808),
       /* RSASSA-PSS algorithms with public key OID RSASSA-PSS */
       rsa_pss_pss_sha256(0x0809),
       rsa_pss_pss_sha384(0x080a),
       rsa_pss_pss_sha512(0x080b),
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```

#### Introduction

The primary goal of TLS is to provide a secure channel between two communicating peers; the only requirement from the underlying transport is a reliable, in-order data stream. Specifically, the secure channel should provide the following properties:

Authentication: The server side of the channel is always authenticated; the client side is optionally authenticated. Authentication can happen via asymmetric cryptography (e.g., RSA [RSA], the Elliptic Curve Digital Signature Algorithm (ECDSA) [ECDSA], or the Edwards-Curve Digital Signature Algorithm (EdDSA) [RFC8032]) or a symmetric pre-shared key (PSK).

First encryption

- Confidentiality: Data sent over the channel after establishment is only visible to the endpoints. TLS does not hide the length of the data it transmits, though endpoints are able to pad TLS records in order to obscure lengths and improve protection against traffic analysis techniques.
- Integrity: Data sent over the channel after establishment cannot be modified by attackers without detection.

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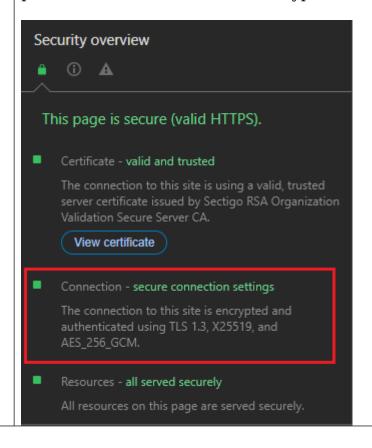
associating decryption stream:

first The standard practices associating a first decryption algorithm (e.g., signature algorithm decryption algorithm i.e., SHA256RSA decryption algorithm) with the encrypted bit with the encrypted bit stream (e.g., encrypted certificate with signature encryption algorithm).

The standard practices providing a two-level encryption security for data

communication. It encrypts a plaintext with a first encryption technique i.e., signature encryption algorithm (e.g., SHA256RSA encryption algorithm) and generates a ciphertext.

The standard defines an authentication message, communicated after the hello handshake messages, which comprises an encrypted digital certificate with the signature encryption algorithm and an associated certificate verify message with it. The certificate verify message includes a signature algorithm extension field which provides information for the decryption of the encrypted digital certificate.



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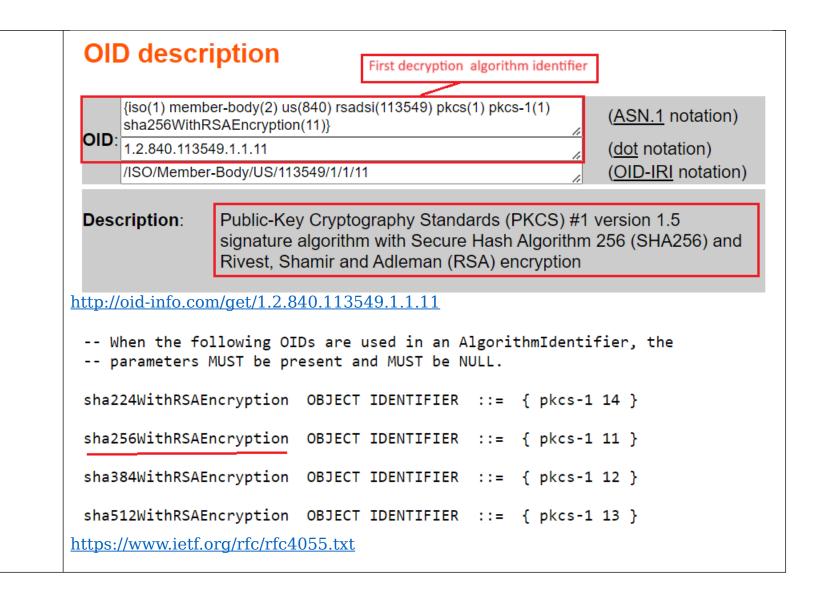
Abstract

This document specifies version 1.3 of the Transport Layer Security (TLS) protocol. TLS allows client/server applications to communicate over the Internet in a way that is designed to prevent eavesdropping, tampering, and message forgery.

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As shown below, the accused instrumentality discloses the signature decryption algorithm.

08-05-2024 05:30:00 [Not After] 08-06-2025 05:29:59 [Thumborint] 72DE3D24166A7C4514094621BF5E62E404142B43 [Signature Algorithm] First decryption algorithm sha256RSA(1.2.840.113549.1.1.11) [Public Key] Algorithm: RSA Lenath: 2048 Key Blob: 30 82 01 0a 02 82 01 01 00 0d d19 e6 e1 e0 57 df 39 82 8a 86 a9 07 f3 4d 2b 2e ad a2 5e dd 2c bc 5d ef f5 6f f7 b0 7e a9 f8 e1 cd 11 3a e9 39 f9 a6 b9 0d d0 05 0d 5f 18 d5 4d 9e 6d 3b f1 69 be 11 28 5a 69 62 07 ad 6b 33 7e f9 15 f3 49 f1 c7 19 0a 97 3d 4f 27 40 67 22 44 d4 3d cb 46 59 1a 66 49 f0 04 d0 dc 18 39 13 21 d3 01 ef 1f a 2 67 a 6 76 d 1 83 c 0 c 2 78 2d 32 e 0 ae ec e 0 f 2 6c b 3 48 56 af a 9 38 42 b 8 f 8 e 7 38 69 46 bd 12 b 8 c 3 df ec a 8 85 98 bb 0b 6e f 1 dd a 2 52 8e 15 70 e 8 3d 8e 9b cd 9c 92 99 f4 e4 13 0e b2 6c 00 b9 01 7c 0e 55 1f 62 1d 8e f3 56 cc bf e3 f9 27 d2 e8 30 67 5f c9 58 79 3a e4 c8 69 9b 15 99 c1 3f 7e 05 39 53 8b 44 d9 3d 60 c5 e2 d6 92 9d 42 10 76 e3 22 a4 ca 67 e4 95 86 ae 46 6c ca cb f9 b6 38 8b f0 a4 09 24 cb b9 b1 6f 06 41 52 d7 36 ec 49 d1 4e f3 42 94 ec 87 d4 0d 02 03 01 00 01 Source: Fiddler Capture



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Figure 1 below shows the basic full TLS handshake:
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                                                           Server
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 Exch | + key_share*
        + signature_algorithms*
        + psk_key_exchange_modes*
      v + pre_shared_key*
                                                     ServerHello ^ Key
                                                    + key_share*
                                                                  | Exch
                                               + pre_shared_key*
                                           {EncryptedExtensions}
                                                                  ^ Server
                                           {CertificateRequest*}
                                                                  v Params
                                                  {Certificate*}
                                            {CertificateVerify*}
                                                                    Auth
    Digital Content
                                                      {Finished}
                                             [Application Data*]
      ^ {Certificate*}
 Auth | {CertificateVerify*}
      v {Finished}
         [Application Data]
                                 <----> [Application Data]
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#### 4.4.3. Certificate Verify

This message is used to provide explicit proof that an endpoint possesses the private key corresponding to its certificate. The CertificateVerify message also provides integrity for the handshake up to this point. Servers MUST send this message when authenticating via a certificate. Clients MUST send this message whenever authenticating via a certificate (i.e., when the Certificate message is non-empty). When sent, this message MUST appear immediately after the Certificate message and immediately prior to the Finished message.

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The standard defines four record message types, including a handshake message type. The handshake messages are communicated to establish a secure channel for TLS communication. A client device and a server negotiate an AEAD algorithm for encrypting TLS record message data. It discloses that after Hello handshake messages i.e., a ClientHello message and a ServerHello message, all handshake messages are encrypted with the negotiated encryption algorithm. One of the handshake messages after hello handshake messages i.e., an authentication message from the client, comprises a digital certificate encrypted by a signature encryption algorithm and a certificate verify message comprising information related to the signature decryption algorithm.

As shown below, the digital certificate is encrypted with the signature encryption algorithm and the certificate verify message, associated with the encrypted digital certificate, has a signature algorithm extension field that provides information related to the signature decryption algorithm. The authentication message is a TLS plaintext handshake message. This message is again encrypted with the negotiated AEAD encryption algorithm, e.g., recursive security protocol. The AEAD encrypted message is communicated between the client and the server.

#### 5. Record Protocol

The <u>TLS</u> record protocol takes messages to be transmitted, fragments the data into manageable blocks, protects the records, and transmits the result. Received data is verified, decrypted, reassembled, and then delivered to higher-level clients.

TLS records are typed, which allows multiple higher-level protocols to be multiplexed over the same record layer. This document specifies four content types: handshake, application\_data, alert, and change\_cipher\_spec. The change\_cipher\_spec record is used only for compatibility purposes (see <a href="Appendix D.4">Appendix D.4</a>).

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#### 2. Protocol Overview



The cryptographic parameters used by the secure channel are produced by the TLS handshake protocol. This sub-protocol of TLS is used by the client and server when first communicating with each other. The handshake protocol allows peers to negotiate a protocol version, select cryptographic algorithms, optionally authenticate each other, and establish shared secret keying material. Once the handshake is complete, the peers use the established keys to protect the application-layer traffic.

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# TLS consists of two primary components:

- A handshake protocol (<u>Section 4</u>) that authenticates the communicating parties, <u>negotiates cryptographic modes and parameters</u>, and establishes shared keying material. The handshake protocol is designed to resist tampering, an active attacker should not be able to force the peers to negotiate different parameters than they would if the connection were not under attack.

  Negotiating encryption algos
- A record protocol (<u>Section 5</u>) that uses the parameters established by the handshake protocol to protect traffic between the communicating peers. The record protocol divides traffic up into a series of records, each of which is independently protected using the traffic keys.

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All handshake messages after the ServerHello are now encrypted. The newly introduced EncryptedExtensions message allows various extensions previously sent in the clear in the ServerHello to also enjoy confidentiality protection.

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As discussed in <u>Section 2</u>, TLS generally uses a common set of messages for authentication, key confirmation, and handshake integrity: Certificate, CertificateVerify, and Finished. (The PSK binders also perform key confirmation, in a similar fashion.) These three messages are always sent as the last messages in their handshake flight. The Certificate and CertificateVerify messages are only sent under certain circumstances, as defined below. The Finished message is always sent as part of the Authentication Block. These messages are encrypted under keys derived from the [sender]\_handshake\_traffic\_secret.

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Figure 1 below shows the basic full TLS handshake:
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                                           {CertificateRequest*}
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## <u>4.1.1</u>. Cryptographic Negotiation

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- A "supported\_groups" (<u>Section 4.2.7</u>) extension which indicates the (EC)DHE groups which the client supports and a "key\_share" (<u>Section 4.2.8</u>) extension which contains (EC)DHE shares for some or all of these groups.
- A "signature\_algorithms" (<u>Section 4.2.3</u>) extension which indicates the signature algorithms which the client can accept. A "signature\_algorithms\_cert" extension (<u>Section 4.2.3</u>) may also be added to indicate certificate-specific signature algorithms.
  - A "pre\_shared\_key" (<u>Section 4.2.11</u>) extension which contains a list of symmetric key identities known to the client and a "psk\_key\_exchange\_modes" (<u>Section 4.2.9</u>) extension which indicates the key exchange modes that may be used with PSKs.

### 4.4.2. Certificate

This message conveys the endpoint's certificate chain to the peer.

The server MUST send a Certificate message whenever the agreed-upon key exchange method uses certificates for authentication (this includes all key exchange methods defined in this document except PSK).

The client MUST send a Certificate message if and only if the server has requested client authentication via a CertificateRequest message (Section 4.3.2). If the server requests client authentication but no suitable certificate is available, the client MUST send a Certificate message containing no certificates (i.e., with the "certificate\_list" field having length 0). A Finished message MUST be sent regardless of whether the Certificate message is empty.

#### 4.4.2.3. Client Certificate Selection

The following rules apply to certificates sent by the client:

- The certificate type MUST be X.509v3 [RFC5280], unless explicitly negotiated otherwise (e.g., [RFC7250]).
- If the "certificate\_authorities" extension in the CertificateRequest message was present, at least one of the certificates in the certificate chain SHOULD be issued by one of the listed CAs.
- The certificates MUST be signed using an acceptable signature algorithm, as described in <u>Section 4.3.2</u>. Note that this relaxes the constraints on certificate-signing algorithms found in prior versions of TLS.
- If the CertificateRequest message contained a non-empty "oid\_filters" extension, the end-entity certificate MUST match the extension OIDs that are recognized by the client, as described in Section 4.2.5.

## 4.4.3. Certificate Verify

This message is used to provide explicit proof that an endpoint possesses the private key corresponding to its certificate. The CertificateVerify message also provides integrity for the handshake up to this point. Servers MUST send this message when authenticating via a certificate. Clients MUST send this message whenever authenticating via a certificate (i.e., when the Certificate message is non-empty). When sent, this message MUST appear immediately after the Certificate message and immediately prior to the Finished message.

Structure of this message:

```
struct {
    SignatureScheme algorithm;
    opaque signature<0..2^16-1>;
} CertificateVerify;
```

First decryption algorithm information

The algorithm field specifies the signature algorithm used (see Section 4.2.3 for the definition of this type). The signature is a digital signature using that algorithm. The content that is covered under the signature is the hash output as described in Section 4.4.1, namely:

### 4.3.2. Certificate Request

A server which is authenticating with a certificate MAY optionally request a certificate from the client. This message, if sent, MUST follow EncryptedExtensions.

```
Structure of this message:
```

```
struct {
    opaque certificate_request_context<0..2^8-1>;
    Extension extensions<2..2^16-1>;
} CertificateRequest;
```

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If sent by a client, the signature algorithm used in the signature MUST be one of those present in the supported\_signature\_algorithms field of the "signature\_algorithms" extension in the CertificateRequest message.

In addition, the signature algorithm MUST be compatible with the key in the sender's end-entity certificate. RSA signatures MUST use an RSASSA-PSS algorithm, regardless of whether RSASSA-PKCS1-v1\_5 algorithms appear in "signature\_algorithms". The SHA-1 algorithm MUST NOT be used in any signatures of CertificateVerify messages.

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```
The "extension_data" field of these extensions contains a
SignatureSchemeList value:
   enum {
       /* RSASSA-PKCS1-v1_5 algorithms */
       rsa_pkcs1_sha256(0x0401),
       rsa_pkcs1_sha384(0x0501),
       rsa_pkcs1_sha512(0x0601),
       /* ECDSA algorithms */
       ecdsa_secp256r1_sha256(0x0403),
       ecdsa_secp384r1_sha384(0x0503),
       ecdsa_secp521r1_sha512(0x0603),
       /* RSASSA-PSS algorithms with public key OID rsaEncryption */
       rsa_pss_rsae_sha256(0x0804),
       rsa_pss_rsae_sha384(0x0805),
       rsa_pss_rsae_sha512(0x0806),
       /* EdDSA algorithms */
       ed25519(0x0807),
       ed448(0x0808),
       /* RSASSA-PSS algorithms with public key OID RSASSA-PSS */
       rsa_pss_pss_sha256(0x0809),
       rsa_pss_pss_sha384(0x080a),
       rsa_pss_pss_sha512(0x080b),
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```

As shown below, the receiving party will be able to decrypt the encrypted message with the provided signature decryption algorithm information i.e., SHA-256 RSA decryption algorithm.

We are now prepared to show that we can decrypt encrypted messages. We can find a pair of large prime numbers p and q, compute n = pq and  $\varphi(n) = (p-1)(q-1)$ , find d which is relatively prime to  $\varphi(n)$ , and compute the value e for which  $de = 1 \pmod{\varphi(n)}$ . we know that de-1 is divisible by  $\varphi(n)$ , so there is a number k satisfying  $de = 1 + k\varphi(n)$ .

Recall from Section II that (e, n) is the encryption key and (d, n) is the decryption key. If m is a plaintext message, then the ciphertext is

$$c = m^e \mod n$$
.

First encryption

To decrypt, we compute  $c^d \mod n$  to obtain

 $c^d \mod n = (m^e \mod n)^d \mod n = m^{de} \mod n = m^{1+k\varphi(n)} \mod n.$ 

The result of Exercise 3.13 tells us that

 $m \equiv m^{1+k\varphi(n)} \pmod{n},$ 

First decryption

https://cs.pomona.edu/~dkauchak/classes/s17/cs52-s17/handouts/encryption.pdf

The solution to the problem is that one never signs an actual message. Rather one signs a value derived from that message. A *cryptographic hash function* is a function that computes a *message authentication code* from a message. The message authentication code is of fixed size, typically 160 of 512 bits long. The function is designed so that it is extremely unlikely that two different messages will correspond

to the same code. You may have seen references to the commonly used hash functions MD5, SHA-1, and SHA-256. Suppose that H is a cryptographic hash function. To sign a message m, party A computes  $h = D_A(H(m))$  and sends  $E_B(m,h)$  to B. Party B now has evidence that A signed m because  $E_A(h) = H(m)$ , and A is the only one who could have generated a value h with that property.

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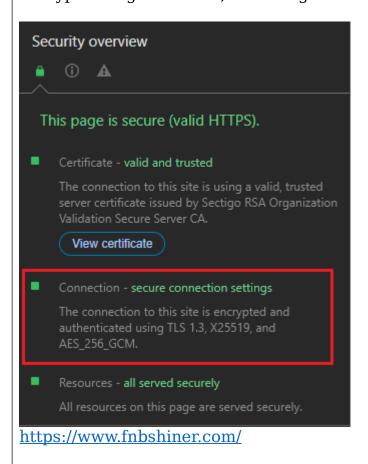
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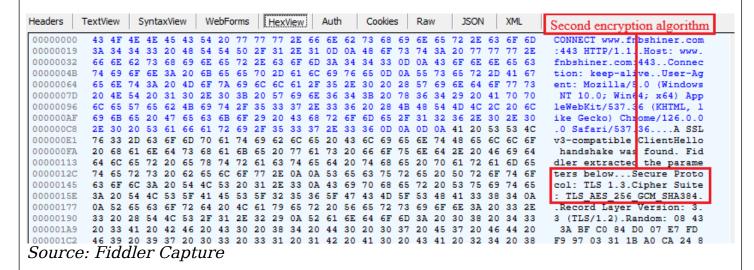
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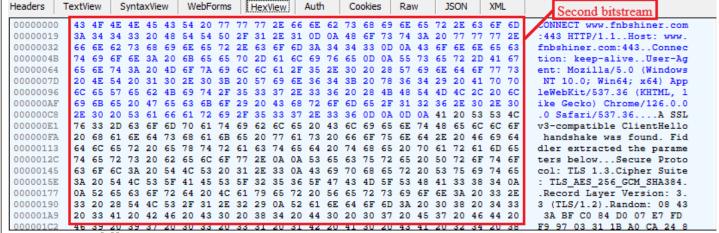


# The Transport Layer Security (TLS) Protocol Version 1.3

#### Abstract

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The standard defines four record message types, including a handshake message type. The handshake messages are communicated to establish a secure channel for TLS communication. A client device and a server negotiate an AEAD algorithm for encrypting TLS record message data. It discloses that after Hello handshake messages i.e., a ClientHello message and a ServerHello message, all handshake messages are encrypted with the negotiated encryption algorithm. One of the handshake messages after hello handshake messages i.e., an authentication message from the client, comprises a digital certificate encrypted by a signature encryption algorithm and a certificate verify message comprising information related to the signature decryption algorithm.

As shown below, the digital certificate is encrypted with the signature encryption algorithm and the certificate verify message, associated with the encrypted digital certificate, has a signature algorithm extension field that provides information related to the signature decryption algorithm. The authentication message is a TLS plaintext handshake message. This message is again encrypted with the negotiated AEAD encryption algorithm, e.g., recursive security protocol. The AEAD encrypted message

is communicated between the client and the server.

#### Record Protocol

The <u>TLS</u> record protocol takes messages to be transmitted, fragments the data into manageable blocks, protects the records, and transmits the result. Received data is verified, decrypted, reassembled, and then delivered to higher-level clients.

TLS records are typed, which allows multiple higher-level protocols to be multiplexed over the same record layer. This document specifies four content types: handshake, application\_data, alert, and change\_cipher\_spec. The change\_cipher\_spec record is used only for compatibility purposes (see <a href="Appendix D.4">Appendix D.4</a>).

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#### 2. Protocol Overview

Negotiating encryption algorithm

The cryptographic parameters used by the secure channel are produced by the TLS handshake protocol. This sub-protocol of TLS is used by the client and server when first communicating with each other. The handshake protocol allows peers to negotiate a protocol version, select cryptographic algorithms, optionally authenticate each other, and establish shared secret keying material. Once the handshake is complete, the peers use the established keys to protect the application-layer traffic.

TLS consists of two primary components:

- A handshake protocol (<u>Section 4</u>) that authenticates the communicating parties, negotiates cryptographic modes and parameters, and establishes shared keying material. The handshake protocol is designed to resist tampering, an active attacker should not be able to force the peers to negotiate different parameters than they would if the connection were not under attack.

  Negotiating encryption algos
- A record protocol (<u>Section 5</u>) that uses the parameters established by the handshake protocol to protect traffic between the communicating peers. The record protocol divides traffic up into a series of records, each of which is independently protected using the traffic keys.

## <u>5.1</u>. Record Layer

The record layer fragments information blocks into TLSPlaintext records carrying data in chunks of 2^14 bytes or less. Message boundaries are handled differently depending on the underlying ContentType. Any future content types MUST specify appropriate rules. Note that these rules are stricter than what was enforced in TLS 1.2.

Handshake messages MAY be coalesced into a single TLSPlaintext record or fragmented across several records, provided that:

- Handshake messages MUST NOT be interleaved with other record types. That is, if a handshake message is split over two or more records, there MUST NOT be any other records between them.

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#### 5.2. Record Payload Protection

The record protection functions translate a TLSPlaintext structure into a TLSCiphertext structure. The deprotection functions reverse the process. In TLS 1.3, as opposed to previous versions of TLS, all ciphers are modeled as "Authenticated Encryption with Associated Data" (AEAD) [RFC5116]. AEAD functions provide a unified encryption and authentication operation which turns plaintext into authenticated ciphertext and back again. Each encrypted record consists of a plaintext header followed by an encrypted body, which itself contains a type and optional padding.

AEAD algorithms take as input a single key, a nonce, a plaintext, and "additional data" to be included in the authentication check, as described in <a href="Section 2.1 of [RFC5116]">Section 2.1 of [RFC5116]</a>. The key is either the client\_write\_key or the server\_write\_key, the nonce is derived from the sequence number and the client\_write\_iv or server\_write\_iv (see <a href="Section 5.3">Section 5.3</a>), and the additional data input is the record header.

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The AEAD approach enables applications that need cryptographic security services to more easily adopt those services. It benefits the application designer by allowing them to focus on important issues such as security services, canonicalization, and data marshaling, and relieving them of the need to design crypto mechanisms that meet their security goals. Importantly, the security of an AEAD algorithm can be analyzed independent from its use in a particular application. This property frees the user of the AEAD of the need to consider security aspects such as the relative order of authentication and encryption and the security of the particular combination of cipher and MAC, such as the potential loss of

confidentiality through the MAC. The application designer that uses the AEAD interface need not select a particular AEAD algorithm during the design stage. Additionally, the interface to the AEAD is relatively simple, since it requires only a single key as input and requires only a single identifier to indicate the algorithm in use in a particular case.

## **2.1**. Authenticated Encryption

The <u>authenticated encryption operation has four inputs</u>, each of which is an octet string:

A <u>secret key K</u>, which MUST be generated in a way that is uniformly random or pseudorandom.

A nonce N. Each nonce provided to distinct invocations of the Authenticated Encryption operation MUST be distinct, for any particular value of the key, unless each and every nonce is zerolength. Applications that can generate distinct nonces SHOULD use the nonce formation method defined in <a href="Section 3.2">Section 3.2</a>, and MAY use any other method that meets the uniqueness requirement. Other applications SHOULD use zero-length nonces.

A plaintext P, which contains the data to be encrypted and authenticated.

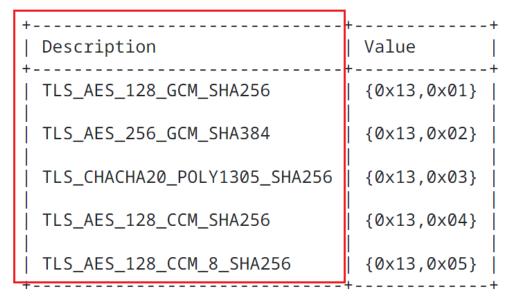
The associated data A, which contains the data to be authenticated, but not encrypted.

The AEAD output consists of the ciphertext output from the AEAD encryption operation. The length of the plaintext is greater than the corresponding TLSPlaintext.length due to the inclusion of TLSInnerPlaintext.type and any padding supplied by the sender. The length of the AEAD output will generally be larger than the plaintext, but by an amount that varies with the AEAD algorithm.

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Each AEAD algorithm will specify a range of possible lengths for the per-record nonce, from N\_MIN bytes to N\_MAX bytes of input [RFC5116]. The length of the TLS per-record nonce (iv\_length) is set to the larger of 8 bytes and N\_MIN for the AEAD algorithm (see [RFC5116], Section 4). An AEAD algorithm where N\_MAX is less than 8 bytes MUST NOT be used with TLS. The per-record nonce for the AEAD construction is formed as follows: https://datatracker.ietf.org/doc/html/rfc8446#section-1

This specification defines the following cipher suites for use with TLS 1.3.



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All handshake messages after the ServerHello are now encrypted. The newly introduced EncryptedExtensions message allows various extensions previously sent in the clear in the ServerHello to also enjoy confidentiality protection.

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### 4.4. Authentication Messages

As discussed in <u>Section 2</u>, TLS generally uses a common set of messages for authentication, key confirmation, and handshake integrity: Certificate, CertificateVerify, and Finished. (The PSK binders also perform key confirmation, in a similar fashion.) These three messages are always sent as the last messages in their handshake flight. The Certificate and CertificateVerify messages are only sent under certain circumstances, as defined below. The Finished message is always sent as part of the Authentication Block. These messages are encrypted under keys derived from the [sender] handshake\_traffic\_secret.

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Figure 1 below shows the basic full TLS handshake:
        Client
                                                           Server
 Key ^ ClientHello
 Exch | + key_share*
        + signature_algorithms*
        + psk_key_exchange_modes*
      v + pre_shared_key*
                                                     ServerHello ^ Key
                                                    + key_share*
                                                                  | Exch
                                               + pre_shared_key*
                                           {EncryptedExtensions}
                                                                  ^ Server
                                           {CertificateRequest*}
                                                                  v Params
                                                  {Certificate*}
                                            {CertificateVerify*}
                                                                    Auth
    Digital Content
                                                      {Finished}
                                             [Application Data*]
      ^ {Certificate*}
 Auth | {CertificateVerify*}
      v {Finished}
         [Application Data]
                                 <----> [Application Data]
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## 4.1.1. Cryptographic Negotiation

In TLS, the cryptographic negotiation proceeds by the client offering the following four sets of options in its ClientHello:

- A list of cipher suites which indicates the AEAD algorithm/HKDF hash pairs which the client supports.

A "supported\_groups" (<u>Section 4.2.7</u>) extension which indicates the (EC)DHE groups which the client supports and a "key\_share" (<u>Section 4.2.8</u>) extension which contains (EC)DHE shares for some or all of these groups.

- A "signature\_algorithms" (<u>Section 4.2.3</u>) extension which indicates the signature algorithms which the client can accept. A "signature\_algorithms\_cert" extension (<u>Section 4.2.3</u>) may also be added to indicate certificate-specific signature algorithms.
  - A "pre\_shared\_key" (<u>Section 4.2.11</u>) extension which contains a list of symmetric key identities known to the client and a "psk\_key\_exchange\_modes" (<u>Section 4.2.9</u>) extension which indicates the key exchange modes that may be used with PSKs.

### 4.4.2. Certificate

This message conveys the endpoint's certificate chain to the peer.

The server MUST send a Certificate message whenever the agreed-upon key exchange method uses certificates for authentication (this includes all key exchange methods defined in this document except PSK).

The client MUST send a Certificate message if and only if the server has requested client authentication via a CertificateRequest message (Section 4.3.2). If the server requests client authentication but no suitable certificate is available, the client MUST send a Certificate message containing no certificates (i.e., with the "certificate\_list" field having length 0). A Finished message MUST be sent regardless of whether the Certificate message is empty.

#### 4.4.2.3. Client Certificate Selection

The following rules apply to certificates sent by the client:

- The certificate type MUST be X.509v3 [RFC5280], unless explicitly negotiated otherwise (e.g., [RFC7250]).
- If the "certificate\_authorities" extension in the CertificateRequest message was present, at least one of the certificates in the certificate chain SHOULD be issued by one of the listed CAs.
- The certificates MUST be signed using an acceptable signature algorithm, as described in <u>Section 4.3.2</u>. Note that this relaxes the constraints on certificate-signing algorithms found in prior versions of TLS.
- If the CertificateRequest message contained a non-empty "oid\_filters" extension, the end-entity certificate MUST match the extension OIDs that are recognized by the client, as described in Section 4.2.5.

## 4.4.3. Certificate Verify

This message is used to provide explicit proof that an endpoint possesses the private key corresponding to its certificate. The CertificateVerify message also provides integrity for the handshake up to this point. Servers MUST send this message when authenticating via a certificate. Clients MUST send this message whenever authenticating via a certificate (i.e., when the Certificate message is non-empty). When sent, this message MUST appear immediately after the Certificate message and immediately prior to the Finished message.

Structure of this message:

```
struct {
    SignatureScheme algorithm;
    opaque signature<0..2^16-1>;
} CertificateVerify;
```

First decryption algorithm information

The algorithm field specifies the signature algorithm used (see Section 4.2.3 for the definition of this type). The signature is a digital signature using that algorithm. The content that is covered under the signature is the hash output as described in Section 4.4.1, namely:

## 4.3.2. Certificate Request

A server which is authenticating with a certificate MAY optionally request a certificate from the client. This message, if sent, MUST follow EncryptedExtensions.

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Structure of this message:
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struct {
    opaque certificate_request_context<0..2^8-1>;
    Extension extensions<2..2^16-1>;
} CertificateRequest;
```

certificate\_request\_context: An opaque string which identifies the certificate request and which will be echoed in the client's Certificate message. The certificate\_request\_context MUST be unique within the scope of this connection (thus preventing replay of client CertificateVerify messages). This field SHALL be zero length unless used for the post-handshake authentication exchanges described in <a href="Section 4.6.2">Section 4.6.2</a>. When requesting post-handshake authentication, the server SHOULD make the context unpredictable to the client (e.g., by randomly generating it) in order to prevent an attacker who has temporary access to the client's private key from pre-computing valid CertificateVerify messages.

extensions: A set of extensions describing the parameters of the certificate being requested. The "signature\_algorithms" extension MUST be specified, and other extensions may optionally be included if defined for this message. Clients MUST ignore unrecognized extensions.

- RSASSA-PSS signature schemes are defined in <u>Section 4.2.3</u>.
- The "supported\_versions" ClientHello extension can be used to negotiate the version of TLS to use, in preference to the legacy\_version field of the ClientHello.
- The "signature\_algorithms\_cert" extension allows a client to indicate which signature algorithms it can validate in X.509 certificates.

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If sent by a client, the signature algorithm used in the signature MUST be one of those present in the supported\_signature\_algorithms field of the "signature\_algorithms" extension in the CertificateRequest message.

In addition, the signature algorithm MUST be compatible with the key in the sender's end-entity certificate. RSA signatures MUST use an RSASSA-PSS algorithm, regardless of whether RSASSA-PKCS1-v1\_5 algorithms appear in "signature\_algorithms". The SHA-1 algorithm MUST NOT be used in any signatures of CertificateVerify messages.

## 4.2.3. Signature Algorithms

TLS 1.3 provides two extensions for indicating which signature algorithms may be used in digital signatures. The "signature\_algorithms\_cert" extension applies to signatures in certificates, and the "signature\_algorithms" extension, which originally appeared in TLS 1.2, applies to signatures in CertificateVerify messages. The keys found in certificates MUST also be of appropriate type for the signature algorithms they are used with. This is a particular issue for RSA keys and PSS signatures, as described below. If no "signature algorithms cert" extension is present, then the "signature\_algorithms" extension also applies to signatures appearing in certificates. Clients which desire the server to authenticate itself via a certificate MUST send the "signature\_algorithms" extension. If a server is authenticating via a certificate and the client has not sent a "signature\_algorithms" extension, then the server MUST abort the handshake with a "missing\_extension" alert (see <a>Section 9.2</a>).

The "signature\_algorithms\_cert" extension was added to allow implementations which supported different sets of algorithms for certificates and in TLS itself to clearly signal their capabilities. TLS 1.2 implementations SHOULD also process this extension. Implementations which have the same policy in both cases MAY omit the "signature\_algorithms\_cert" extension.

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The "extension_data" field of these extensions contains a
SignatureSchemeList value:
   enum {
       /* RSASSA-PKCS1-v1 5 algorithms */
       rsa_pkcs1_sha256(0x0401),
       rsa_pkcs1_sha384(0x0501),
       rsa_pkcs1_sha512(0x0601),
       /* ECDSA algorithms */
       ecdsa_secp256r1_sha256(0x0403),
       ecdsa_secp384r1_sha384(0x0503),
       ecdsa_secp521r1_sha512(0x0603),
       /* RSASSA-PSS algorithms with public key OID rsaEncryption */
       rsa_pss_rsae_sha256(0x0804),
       rsa pss rsae sha384(0x0805),
       rsa_pss_rsae_sha512(0x0806),
       /* EdDSA algorithms */
       ed25519(0x0807),
       ed448(0x0808),
       /* RSASSA-PSS algorithms with public key OID RSASSA-PSS */
       rsa_pss_pss_sha256(0x0809),
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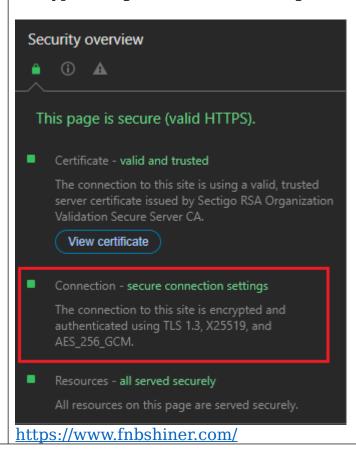
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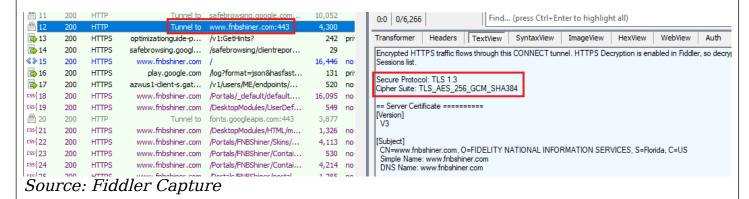
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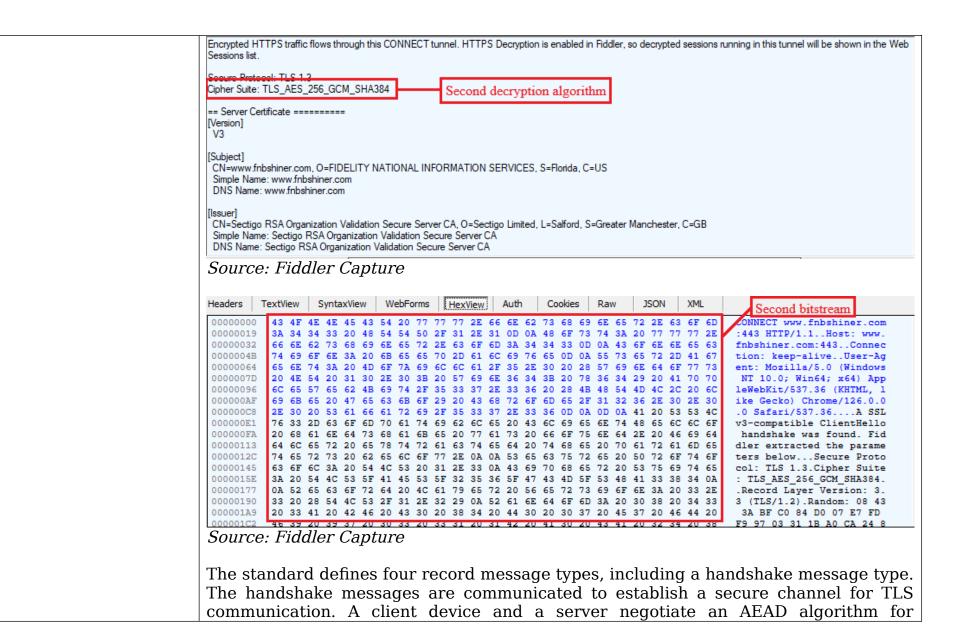


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A plaintext P, which contains the data to be encrypted and authenticated.

The associated data A, which contains the data to be authenticated, but not encrypted.

# 2.2. Authenticated Decryption

Second decryption algorithm

The <u>authenticated decryption operation has four inputs: K, N, A, and C, as defined above.</u> It has only a single output, either a plaintext value P or a special symbol FAIL that indicates that the inputs are not authentic. A ciphertext C, a nonce N, and associated data A are authentic for key K when C is generated by the encrypt operation with inputs K, N, P, and A, for some values of N, P, and A. The authenticated decrypt operation will, with high probability, return FAIL whenever the inputs N, P, and A were crafted by a noncerespecting adversary that does not know the secret key (assuming that the AEAD algorithm is secure).

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This specification defines the following cipher suites for use with TLS 1.3.

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Description	Value
TLS_AES_128_GCM_SHA256	{0x13,0x01}
   TLS_AES_256_GCM_SHA384	
   TLS_CHACHA20_POLY1305_SHA256	   {0x13,0x03}
   TLS_AES_128_CCM_SHA256	   {0x13,0x04}
   TLS_AES_128_CCM_8_SHA256	   {0x13,0x05}

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 Key ^ ClientHello
 Exch | + key_share*
        + signature_algorithms*
        + psk_key_exchange_modes*
      v + pre_shared_key*
                                                     ServerHello ^ Key
                                                    + key_share*
                                                                  | Exch
                                               + pre_shared_key*
                                           {EncryptedExtensions}
                                                                  ^ Server
                                           {CertificateRequest*}
                                                                  v Params
                                                  {Certificate*}
                                            {CertificateVerify*}
                                                                    Auth
    Digital Content
                                                      {Finished}
                                             [Application Data*]
      ^ {Certificate*}
 Auth | {CertificateVerify*}
      v {Finished}
         [Application Data]
                                 <----> [Application Data]
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```

### 4.4.2. Certificate

This message conveys the endpoint's certificate chain to the peer.

The server MUST send a Certificate message whenever the agreed-upon key exchange method uses certificates for authentication (this includes all key exchange methods defined in this document except PSK).

The client MUST send a Certificate message if and only if the server has requested client authentication via a CertificateRequest message (Section 4.3.2). If the server requests client authentication but no suitable certificate is available, the client MUST send a Certificate message containing no certificates (i.e., with the "certificate\_list" field having length 0). A Finished message MUST be sent regardless of whether the Certificate message is empty.

#### 4.4.2.3. Client Certificate Selection

The following rules apply to certificates sent by the client:

- The certificate type MUST be X.509v3 [RFC5280], unless explicitly negotiated otherwise (e.g., [RFC7250]).
- If the "certificate\_authorities" extension in the CertificateRequest message was present, at least one of the certificates in the certificate chain SHOULD be issued by one of the listed CAs.
- The certificates MUST be signed using an acceptable signature algorithm, as described in <u>Section 4.3.2</u>. Note that this relaxes the constraints on certificate-signing algorithms found in prior versions of TLS.
- If the CertificateRequest message contained a non-empty "oid\_filters" extension, the end-entity certificate MUST match the extension OIDs that are recognized by the client, as described in Section 4.2.5.

#### 4.4.3. Certificate Verify

This message is used to provide explicit proof that an endpoint possesses the private key corresponding to its certificate. The CertificateVerify message also provides integrity for the handshake up to this point. Servers MUST send this message when authenticating via a certificate. Clients MUST send this message whenever authenticating via a certificate (i.e., when the Certificate message is non-empty). When sent, this message MUST appear immediately after the Certificate message and immediately prior to the Finished message.

Structure of this message:

```
struct {
    SignatureScheme algorithm;
    opaque signature<0..2^16-1>;
} CertificateVerify;
```

The algorithm field specifies the signature algorithm used (see Section 4.2.3 for the definition of this type). The signature is a digital signature using that algorithm. The content that is covered under the signature is the hash output as described in Section 4.4.1, namely:

### 4.3.2. Certificate Request

A server which is authenticating with a certificate MAY optionally request a certificate from the client. This message, if sent, MUST follow EncryptedExtensions.

```
Structure of this message:
```

```
struct {
    opaque certificate_request_context<0..2^8-1>;
    Extension extensions<2..2^16-1>;
} CertificateRequest;
```

certificate\_request\_context: An opaque string which identifies the certificate request and which will be echoed in the client's Certificate message. The certificate\_request\_context MUST be unique within the scope of this connection (thus preventing replay of client CertificateVerify messages). This field SHALL be zero length unless used for the post-handshake authentication exchanges described in <a href="Section 4.6.2">Section 4.6.2</a>. When requesting post-handshake authentication, the server SHOULD make the context unpredictable to the client (e.g., by randomly generating it) in order to prevent an attacker who has temporary access to the client's private key from pre-computing valid CertificateVerify messages.

extensions: A set of extensions describing the parameters of the certificate being requested. The "signature\_algorithms" extension MUST be specified, and other extensions may optionally be included if defined for this message. Clients MUST ignore unrecognized extensions.

- RSASSA-PSS signature schemes are defined in <u>Section 4.2.3</u>.
- The "supported\_versions" ClientHello extension can be used to negotiate the version of TLS to use, in preference to the legacy\_version field of the ClientHello.
- The "signature\_algorithms\_cert" extension allows a client to indicate which signature algorithms it can validate in X.509 certificates.

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If sent by a client, the signature algorithm used in the signature MUST be one of those present in the supported\_signature\_algorithms field of the "signature\_algorithms" extension in the CertificateRequest message.

In addition, the signature algorithm MUST be compatible with the key in the sender's end-entity certificate. RSA signatures MUST use an RSASSA-PSS algorithm, regardless of whether RSASSA-PKCS1-v1\_5 algorithms appear in "signature\_algorithms". The SHA-1 algorithm MUST NOT be used in any signatures of CertificateVerify messages.

### 4.2.3. Signature Algorithms

TLS 1.3 provides two extensions for indicating which signature algorithms may be used in digital signatures. The "signature\_algorithms\_cert" extension applies to signatures in certificates, and the "signature\_algorithms" extension, which originally appeared in TLS 1.2, applies to signatures in CertificateVerify messages. The keys found in certificates MUST also be of appropriate type for the signature algorithms they are used with. This is a particular issue for RSA keys and PSS signatures, as described below. If no "signature algorithms cert" extension is present, then the "signature\_algorithms" extension also applies to signatures appearing in certificates. Clients which desire the server to authenticate itself via a certificate MUST send the "signature\_algorithms" extension. If a server is authenticating via a certificate and the client has not sent a "signature\_algorithms" extension, then the server MUST abort the handshake with a "missing\_extension" alert (see <a href="Section 9.2">Section 9.2</a>).

The "signature\_algorithms\_cert" extension was added to allow implementations which supported different sets of algorithms for certificates and in TLS itself to clearly signal their capabilities. TLS 1.2 implementations SHOULD also process this extension. Implementations which have the same policy in both cases MAY omit the "signature\_algorithms\_cert" extension.

```
The "extension_data" field of these extensions contains a
SignatureSchemeList value:
   enum {
       /* RSASSA-PKCS1-v1_5 algorithms */
       rsa_pkcs1_sha256(0x0401),
       rsa_pkcs1_sha384(0x0501),
       rsa_pkcs1_sha512(0x0601),
       /* ECDSA algorithms */
       ecdsa_secp256r1_sha256(0x0403),
       ecdsa_secp384r1_sha384(0x0503),
       ecdsa_secp521r1_sha512(0x0603),
       /* RSASSA-PSS algorithms with public key OID rsaEncryption */
       rsa pss rsae sha256(0x0804),
       rsa_pss_rsae_sha384(0x0805),
       rsa pss rsae sha512(0x0806),
       /* EdDSA algorithms */
       ed25519(0x0807),
       ed448(0x0808),
       /* RSASSA-PSS algorithms with public key OID RSASSA-PSS */
       rsa_pss_pss_sha256(0x0809),
       rsa_pss_pss_sha384(0x080a),
       rsa pss pss sha512(0x080b),
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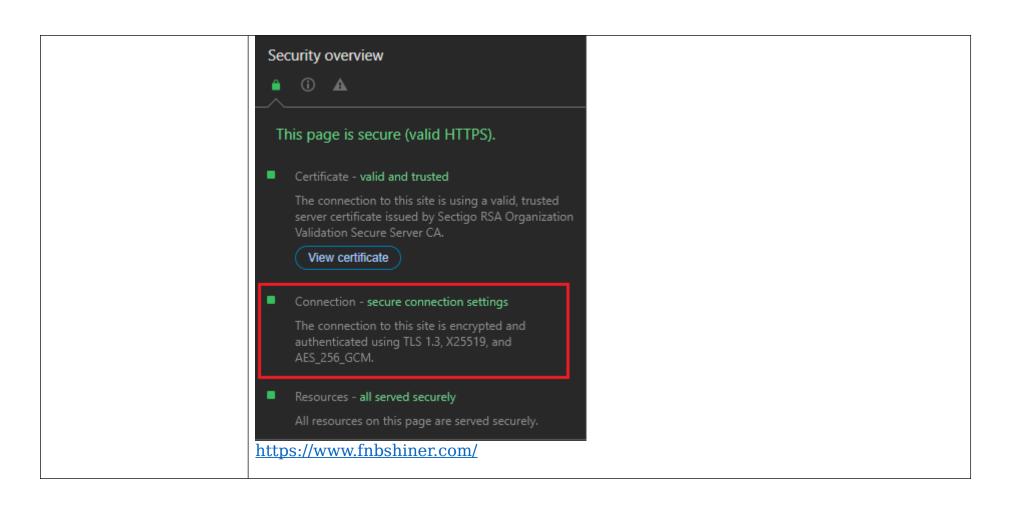
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> The standard practices providing a two-level encryption security for data communication. It encrypts a plaintext with a first encryption technique i.e., signature encryption algorithm (e.g., SHA256RSA algorithm) and generates a ciphertext.

> The standard defines an authentication message, communicated after the hello handshake messages, which comprises an encrypted digital certificate with the signature encryption algorithm and an associated certificate verify message with it. The certificate verify message includes a signature algorithm extension field which provides information for the decryption of the encrypted digital certificate. The standard further practices encrypting the authentication message, including the encrypted digital certification and the certificate verify message, with a second decryption algorithm i.e., AEAD algorithm such as TLS AES 256 GCM SHA384, etc.



## The Transport Layer Security (TLS) Protocol Version 1.3

#### Abstract

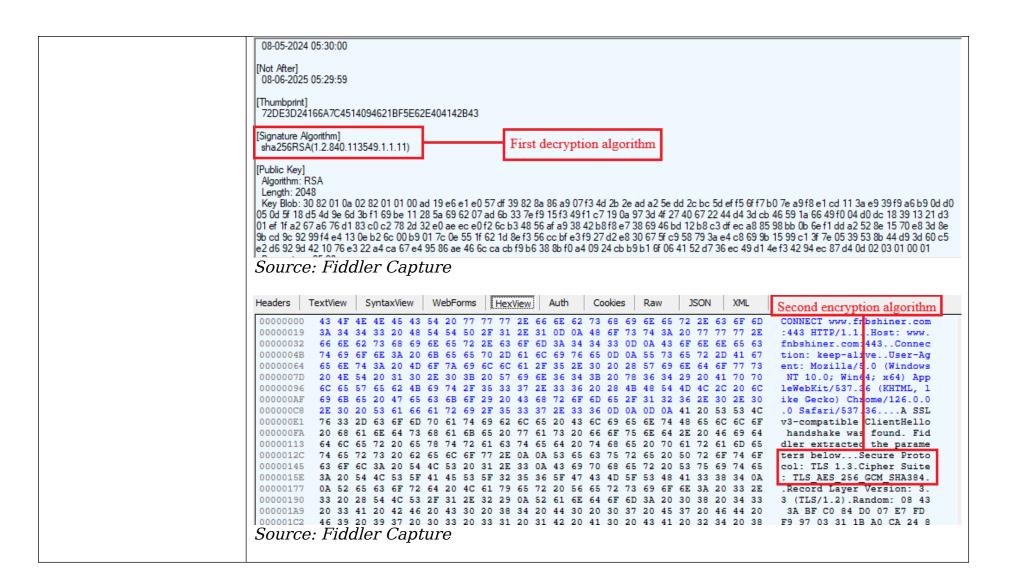
This document specifies version 1.3 of the Transport Layer Security (TLS) protocol. TLS allows client/server applications to communicate over the Internet in a way that is designed to prevent eavesdropping, tampering, and message forgery.

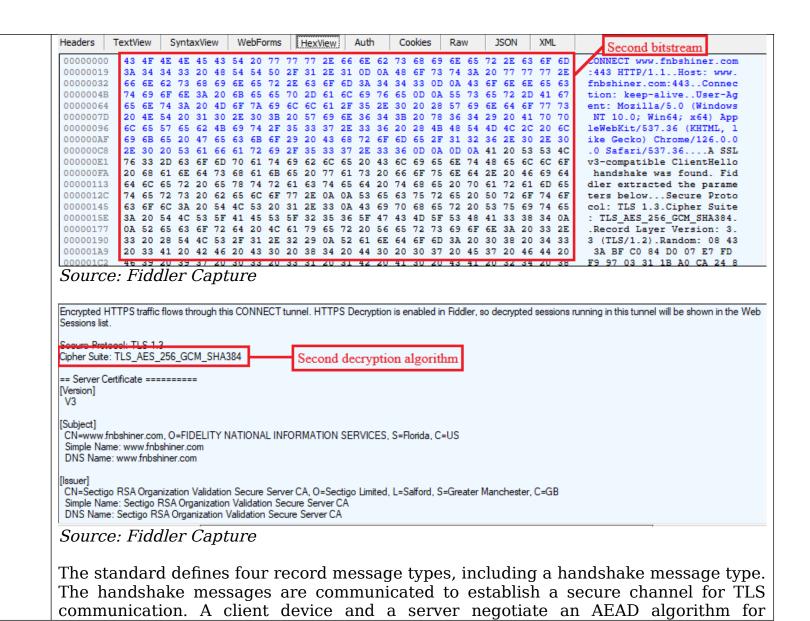
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```
h2. http/1.1
                                                         Digital certificate
         SignedCertTimestamp (RFC6962)
                           00 00 01 00 01 41 00 20 37 BE 5F 41 5F CD 6E 80 5D 7E 51 F8 A8 8F 06 10 42 9B A4 DD A0 BB 92 EC 51 1F 50 31 01 75 AF 42 00 90 4F
01 CA B8 6E DE E8 F0 49 C6 25 16 0B C4 DC CD 5A A5 C8 73 D6 8A D2 D7 C0 EE 18 52 FA FC B9 B5 9B 91 59 81 DD 60 04 CD 0D E0 5A 1F EF 6F B3 22 6F 5F F0 7C
36 98 AF DE 1B BE F8 80 68 57 30 64 F1 89 0E 45 3C B2 06 E3 F0 C1 05 04 C0 76 71 A1 AD B3 AC 8B C0 1E 65 35 BE 86 B9 3C E7 E2 9B 8E 24 DA C8 04 DC 03 D0
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                           ecdsa_secp256r1_sha256, rsa_pss_rsae_sha256, rsa_pkcs1_sha256, ecdsa_secp384r1_sha384, rsa_pss_rsae_sha384, rsa_pkcs1
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         status request
                                                        First encryption algorithm
         0x4469
                           00 03 02 68 32
         Session Ticket
                           empty
         extended_master_secret
         psk_key_exchange_modes 01 01
                          www.fnbshiner.com
         server name
         renegotiation_info 00
         supported_versions grease [0x8a8a], Tls1.3, Tls1.2
                           02 00 02
         0x001b
key share 04 ED DA DA 00 01 00 63 99 04 C0 71 26 BB 96 2C 0A 54 4E DF 6C C1 0C 7A 90 A9 55 56 65 C5 89 63 DE B5 BD 59 BC BE 78 3E 49 BF
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                           h2, http/1.1
         SignedCertTimestamp (RFC6962)
                                            empty
                           00 00 01 00 01 41 00 20 37 BE 5F 41 5F CD 6E B0 5D 7E 51 F8 A8 8F 06 10 42 9B A4 DD A0 BB 92 EC 51 1F 50 31 01 75 AF 42 00 90 4F
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         signature_algs ecdsa_secp256r1_sha256, rsa_pss_rsae_sha256, rsa_pkcs1_sha256, ecdsa_secp384r1_sha384, rsa_pss_rsae_sha384, rsa_pkcs1
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21 1D 42 0A 24 DE DA 05 20 00 2D 52 CA 15 DA 25 20 A2 DD CD DO 7D 5A 50 50 ED 7 CO 0D 02 FC 01 54 70 AD 00 AA 57 DC 0D 1E AA CA D2 0A 52 15 A2 00 7C EC 40 AA
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encrypting TLS record message data. It discloses that after Hello handshake messages i.e., a ClientHello message and a ServerHello message, all handshake messages are encrypted with the negotiated encryption algorithm. One of the handshake messages after hello handshake messages i.e., an authentication message from the client, comprises a digital certificate encrypted by a signature encryption algorithm and a certificate verify message comprising information related to the signature decryption algorithm.

As shown below, the digital certificate is encrypted with the signature encryption algorithm and the certificate verify message, associated with the encrypted digital certificate, has a signature algorithm extension field that provides information related to the signature decryption algorithm. The authentication message is a TLS plaintext handshake message. This message is again encrypted with the negotiated AEAD encryption algorithm, e.g., recursive security protocol. The AEAD encrypted message is communicated between the client and the server.

Further, the AEAD encrypted message comprises a ciphertext (e.g., encrypted ciphertext after the encryption by the second encryption algorithm), nonce (e.g., associating second decryption algo), key and associated data. The maximum length of nonce is a cipher suit specific element. The nonce and associated data are utilized in decryption of the AEAD encrypted message.

#### 5. Record Protocol

The <u>TLS</u> record protocol takes messages to be transmitted, fragments the data into manageable blocks, protects the records, and transmits the result. Received data is verified, decrypted, reassembled, and then delivered to higher-level clients.

TLS records are typed, which allows multiple higher-level protocols to be multiplexed over the same record layer. This document specifies <u>four content types: handshake</u>, application\_data, alert, and change\_cipher\_spec. The change\_cipher\_spec record is used only for compatibility purposes (see Appendix D.4).

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#### 2. Protocol Overview



The cryptographic parameters used by the secure channel are produced by the TLS handshake protocol. This sub-protocol of TLS is used by the client and server when first communicating with each other. The handshake protocol allows peers to negotiate a protocol version, select cryptographic algorithms, optionally authenticate each other, and establish shared secret keying material. Once the handshake is complete, the peers use the established keys to protect the application-layer traffic.

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TLS consists of two primary components:

- A handshake protocol (<u>Section 4</u>) that authenticates the communicating parties, negotiates cryptographic modes and parameters, and establishes shared keying material. The handshake protocol is designed to resist tampering, an active attacker should not be able to force the peers to negotiate different parameters than they would if the connection were not under attack.

  Negotiating encryption algos
- A record protocol (<u>Section 5</u>) that uses the parameters established by the handshake protocol to protect traffic between the communicating peers. The record protocol divides traffic up into a series of records, each of which is independently protected using the traffic keys.

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### <u>5.1</u>. Record Layer

The record layer fragments information blocks into TLSPlaintext records carrying data in chunks of 2^14 bytes or less. Message boundaries are handled differently depending on the underlying ContentType. Any future content types MUST specify appropriate rules. Note that these rules are stricter than what was enforced in TLS 1.2.

Handshake messages MAY be coalesced into a single TLSPlaintext record or fragmented across several records, provided that:

- Handshake messages MUST NOT be interleaved with other record types. That is, if a handshake message is split over two or more records, there MUST NOT be any other records between them.

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#### 5.2. Record Payload Protection

The record protection functions translate a TLSPlaintext structure into a TLSCiphertext structure. The deprotection functions reverse the process. In TLS 1.3, as opposed to previous versions of TLS, all ciphers are modeled as "Authenticated Encryption with Associated Data" (AEAD) [RFC5116]. AEAD functions provide a unified encryption and authentication operation which turns plaintext into authenticated ciphertext and back again. Each encrypted record consists of a plaintext header followed by an encrypted body, which itself contains a type and optional padding.

AEAD algorithms take as input a single key, a nonce, a plaintext, and "additional data" to be included in the authentication check, as described in <a href="Section 2.1 of [RFC5116]">Section 2.1 of [RFC5116]</a>. The key is either the client\_write\_key or the server\_write\_key, the nonce is derived from the sequence number and the client\_write\_iv or server\_write\_iv (see <a href="Section 5.3">Section 5.3</a>), and the additional data input is the record header.

I.e.,

The AEAD approach enables applications that need cryptographic security services to more easily adopt those services. It benefits the application designer by allowing them to focus on important issues such as security services, canonicalization, and data marshaling, and relieving them of the need to design crypto mechanisms that meet their security goals. Importantly, the security of an AEAD algorithm can be analyzed independent from its use in a particular application. This property frees the user of the AEAD of the need to consider security aspects such as the relative order of authentication and encryption and the security of the particular combination of cipher and MAC, such as the potential loss of

confidentiality through the MAC. The application designer that uses the AEAD interface need not select a particular AEAD algorithm during the design stage. Additionally, the interface to the AEAD is relatively simple, since it requires only a single key as input and requires only a single identifier to indicate the algorithm in use in a particular case.

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### **2.1**. Authenticated Encryption

The <u>authenticated encryption operation has four inputs</u>, each of which is an octet string:

A <u>secret key K</u>, which MUST be generated in a way that is uniformly random or pseudorandom.

A nonce N. Each nonce provided to distinct invocations of the Authenticated Encryption operation MUST be distinct, for any particular value of the key, unless each and every nonce is zerolength. Applications that can generate distinct nonces SHOULD use the nonce formation method defined in <a href="Section 3.2">Section 3.2</a>, and MAY use any other method that meets the uniqueness requirement. Other applications SHOULD use zero-length nonces.

A plaintext P, which contains the data to be encrypted and authenticated.

The associated data A, which contains the data to be authenticated, but not encrypted.

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# 2.2. Authenticated Decryption

Second decryption algorithm

The authenticated decryption operation has four inputs: K, N, A, and C, as defined above. It has only a single output, either a plaintext value P or a special symbol FAIL that indicates that the inputs are not authentic. A ciphertext C, a nonce N, and associated data A are authentic for key K when C is generated by the encrypt operation with inputs K, N, P, and A, for some values of N, P, and A. The authenticated decrypt operation will, with high probability, return FAIL whenever the inputs N, P, and A were crafted by a noncerespecting adversary that does not know the secret key (assuming that the AEAD algorithm is secure).

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The AEAD output consists of the ciphertext output from the AEAD encryption operation. The length of the plaintext is greater than the corresponding TLSPlaintext.length due to the inclusion of TLSInnerPlaintext.type and any padding supplied by the sender. The length of the AEAD output will generally be larger than the plaintext, but by an amount that varies with the AEAD algorithm.

Each AEAD algorithm will specify a range of possible lengths for the per-record nonce, from N\_MIN bytes to N\_MAX bytes of input [RFC5116]. The length of the TLS per-record nonce (iv\_length) is set to the larger of 8 bytes and N\_MIN for the AEAD algorithm (see [RFC5116], Section 4). An AEAD algorithm where N\_MAX is less than 8 bytes MUST NOT be used with TLS. The per-record nonce for the AEAD construction is formed as follows: https://datatracker.ietf.org/doc/html/rfc8446#section-1

This specification defines the following cipher suites for use with TLS 1.3.

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Description	Value
TLS_AES_128_GCM_SHA256	{0x13,0x01}
TLS_AES_256_GCM_SHA384	{0x13,0x02}
TLS_CHACHA20_POLY1305_SHA256	{0x13,0x03}
TLS_AES_128_CCM_SHA256	{0x13,0x04}
TLS_AES_128_CCM_8_SHA256	{0x13,0x05}

<u>All handshake messages after the ServerHello are now encrypted</u>. The newly introduced EncryptedExtensions message allows various extensions previously sent in the clear in the ServerHello to also enjoy confidentiality protection.

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## <u>4.4</u>. Authentication Messages

As discussed in <u>Section 2</u>, TLS generally uses a common set of messages for authentication, key confirmation, and handshake integrity: Certificate, CertificateVerify, and Finished. (The PSK binders also perform key confirmation, in a similar fashion.) These three messages are always sent as the last messages in their handshake flight. The Certificate and CertificateVerify messages are only sent under certain circumstances, as defined below. The Finished message is always sent as part of the Authentication Block. These messages are encrypted under keys derived from the [sender] handshake\_traffic\_secret.

```
Figure 1 below shows the basic full TLS handshake:
        Client
                                                           Server
 Key ^ ClientHello
 Exch | + key_share*
        + signature_algorithms*
        + psk_key_exchange_modes*
      v + pre_shared_key*
                                                     ServerHello ^ Key
                                                    + key_share*
                                                                  | Exch
                                               + pre_shared_key*
                                           {EncryptedExtensions}
                                                                  ^ Server
                                           {CertificateRequest*}
                                                                  v Params
                                                  {Certificate*}
                                           {CertificateVerify*}
                                                                    Auth
    Digital Content
                                                      {Finished}
                                             [Application Data*]
      ^ {Certificate*}
 Auth | {CertificateVerify*}
      v {Finished}
         [Application Data]
                                 <----> [Application Data]
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```

### 4.4.2. Certificate

This message conveys the endpoint's certificate chain to the peer.

The server MUST send a Certificate message whenever the agreed-upon key exchange method uses certificates for authentication (this includes all key exchange methods defined in this document except PSK).

The client MUST send a Certificate message if and only if the server has requested client authentication via a CertificateRequest message (Section 4.3.2). If the server requests client authentication but no suitable certificate is available, the client MUST send a Certificate message containing no certificates (i.e., with the "certificate\_list" field having length 0). A Finished message MUST be sent regardless of whether the Certificate message is empty.

#### 4.4.2.3. Client Certificate Selection

The following rules apply to certificates sent by the client:

- The certificate type MUST be X.509v3 [RFC5280], unless explicitly negotiated otherwise (e.g., [RFC7250]).
- If the "certificate\_authorities" extension in the CertificateRequest message was present, at least one of the certificates in the certificate chain SHOULD be issued by one of the listed CAs.
- The certificates MUST be signed using an acceptable signature algorithm, as described in <u>Section 4.3.2</u>. Note that this relaxes the constraints on certificate-signing algorithms found in prior versions of TLS.
- If the CertificateRequest message contained a non-empty "oid\_filters" extension, the end-entity certificate MUST match the extension OIDs that are recognized by the client, as described in Section 4.2.5.

#### 4.4.3. Certificate Verify

This message is used to provide explicit proof that an endpoint possesses the private key corresponding to its certificate. The CertificateVerify message also provides integrity for the handshake up to this point. Servers MUST send this message when authenticating via a certificate. Clients MUST send this message whenever authenticating via a certificate (i.e., when the Certificate message is non-empty). When sent, this message MUST appear immediately after the Certificate message and immediately prior to the Finished message.

Structure of this message:

```
struct {
    SignatureScheme algorithm;
    opaque signature<0..2^16-1>;
} CertificateVerify;
```

The algorithm field specifies the signature algorithm used (see Section 4.2.3 for the definition of this type). The signature is a digital signature using that algorithm. The content that is covered under the signature is the hash output as described in Section 4.4.1, namely:

### 4.3.2. Certificate Request

A server which is authenticating with a certificate MAY optionally request a certificate from the client. This message, if sent, MUST follow EncryptedExtensions.

```
Structure of this message:
```

```
struct {
    opaque certificate_request_context<0..2^8-1>;
    Extension extensions<2..2^16-1>;
} CertificateRequest;
```

certificate\_request\_context: An opaque string which identifies the certificate request and which will be echoed in the client's Certificate message. The certificate\_request\_context MUST be unique within the scope of this connection (thus preventing replay of client CertificateVerify messages). This field SHALL be zero length unless used for the post-handshake authentication exchanges described in <a href="Section 4.6.2">Section 4.6.2</a>. When requesting post-handshake authentication, the server SHOULD make the context unpredictable to the client (e.g., by randomly generating it) in order to prevent an attacker who has temporary access to the client's private key from pre-computing valid CertificateVerify messages.

extensions: A set of extensions describing the parameters of the certificate being requested. The "signature\_algorithms" extension MUST be specified, and other extensions may optionally be included if defined for this message. Clients MUST ignore unrecognized extensions.

- RSASSA-PSS signature schemes are defined in <u>Section 4.2.3</u>.
- The "supported\_versions" ClientHello extension can be used to negotiate the version of TLS to use, in preference to the legacy\_version field of the ClientHello.
- The "signature\_algorithms\_cert" extension allows a client to indicate which signature algorithms it can validate in X.509 certificates.

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If sent by a client, the signature algorithm used in the signature MUST be one of those present in the supported\_signature\_algorithms field of the "signature\_algorithms" extension in the CertificateRequest message.

In addition, the signature algorithm MUST be compatible with the key in the sender's end-entity certificate. RSA signatures MUST use an RSASSA-PSS algorithm, regardless of whether RSASSA-PKCS1-v1\_5 algorithms appear in "signature\_algorithms". The SHA-1 algorithm MUST NOT be used in any signatures of CertificateVerify messages.

### 4.2.3. Signature Algorithms

TLS 1.3 provides two extensions for indicating which signature algorithms may be used in digital signatures. The "signature\_algorithms\_cert" extension applies to signatures in certificates, and the "signature\_algorithms" extension, which originally appeared in TLS 1.2, applies to signatures in CertificateVerify messages. The keys found in certificates MUST also be of appropriate type for the signature algorithms they are used with. This is a particular issue for RSA keys and PSS signatures, as described below. If no "signature algorithms cert" extension is present, then the "signature\_algorithms" extension also applies to signatures appearing in certificates. Clients which desire the server to authenticate itself via a certificate MUST send the "signature\_algorithms" extension. If a server is authenticating via a certificate and the client has not sent a "signature\_algorithms" extension, then the server MUST abort the handshake with a "missing\_extension" alert (see <a>Section 9.2</a>).

The "signature\_algorithms\_cert" extension was added to allow implementations which supported different sets of algorithms for certificates and in TLS itself to clearly signal their capabilities. TLS 1.2 implementations SHOULD also process this extension. Implementations which have the same policy in both cases MAY omit the "signature\_algorithms\_cert" extension.

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The "extension_data" field of these extensions contains a
SignatureSchemeList value:
   enum {
       /* RSASSA-PKCS1-v1_5 algorithms */
       rsa_pkcs1_sha256(0x0401),
       rsa_pkcs1_sha384(0x0501),
       rsa_pkcs1_sha512(0x0601),
       /* ECDSA algorithms */
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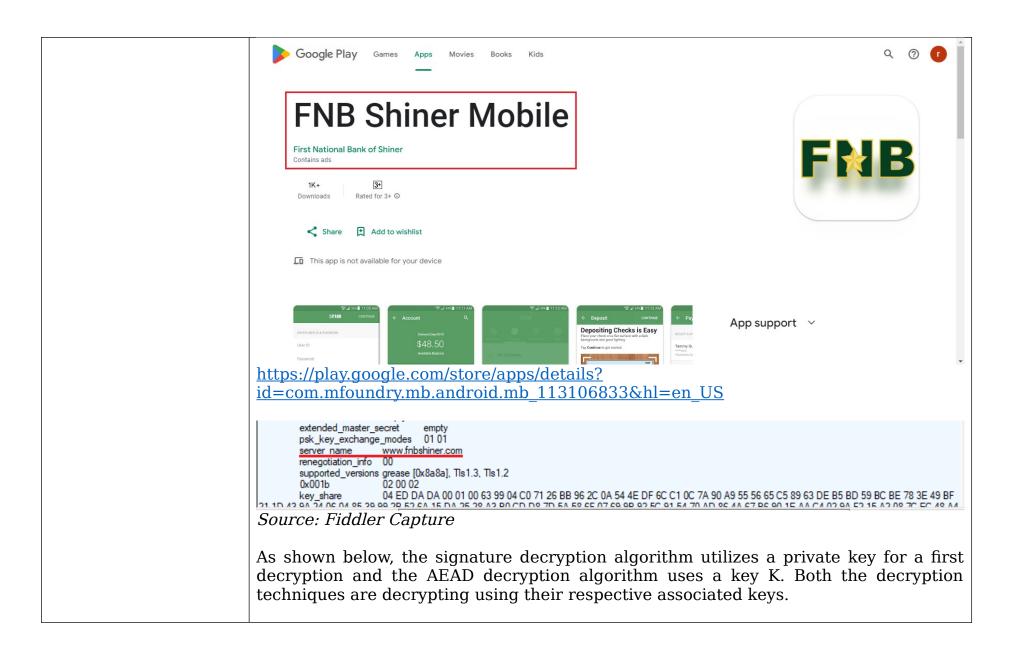
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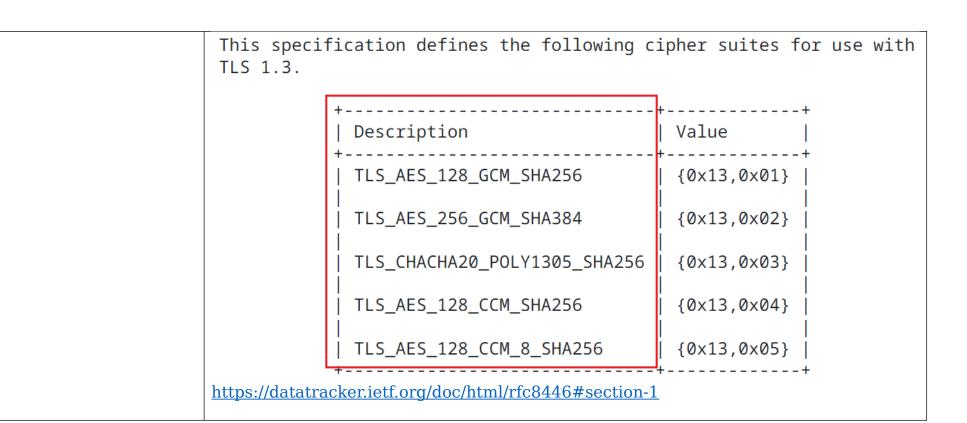
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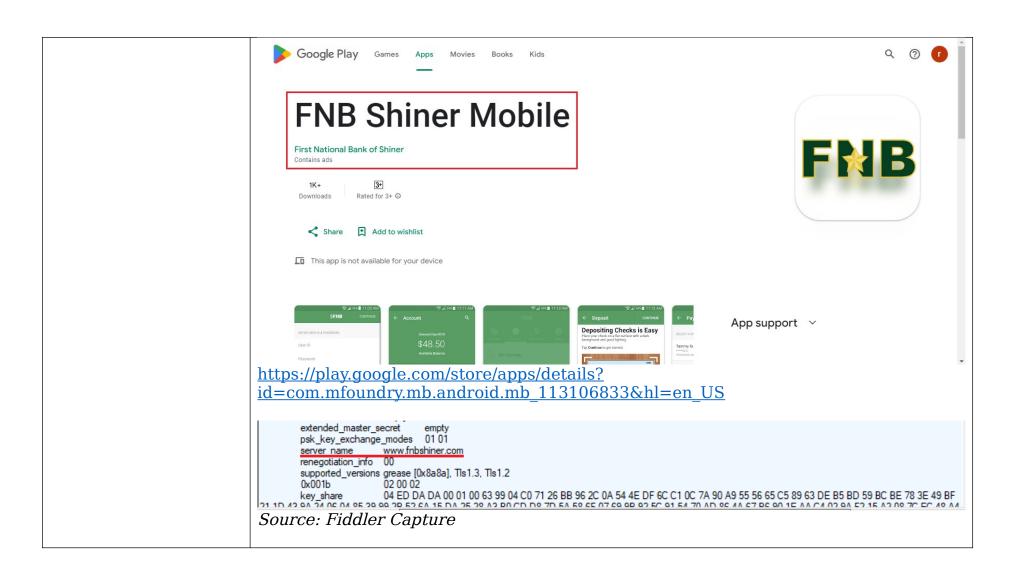
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# 3. Random access memory











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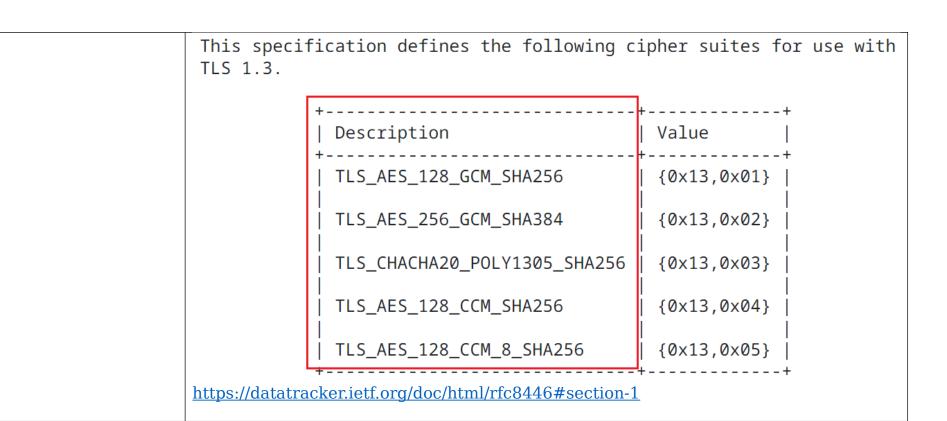
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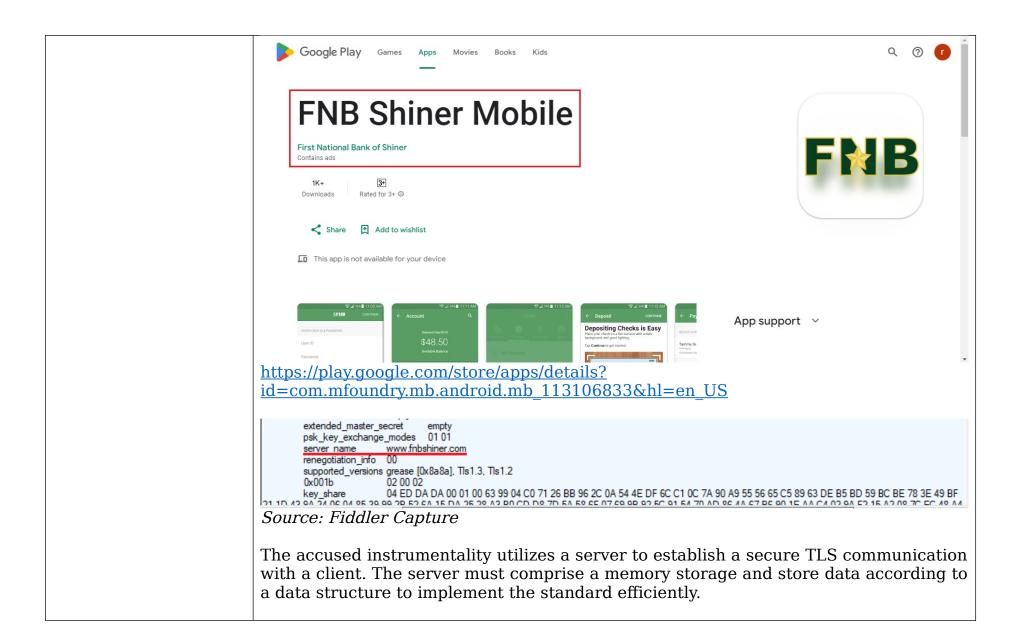
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A data structure is a specialized format for organizing, processing, retrieving and storing data. There are several basic and advanced types of data structures, all designed to arrange data to suit a specific purpose. Data structures make it easy for users to access and work with the data they need in appropriate ways. Most importantly, data structures frame the organization of information so that machines and humans can better understand it.

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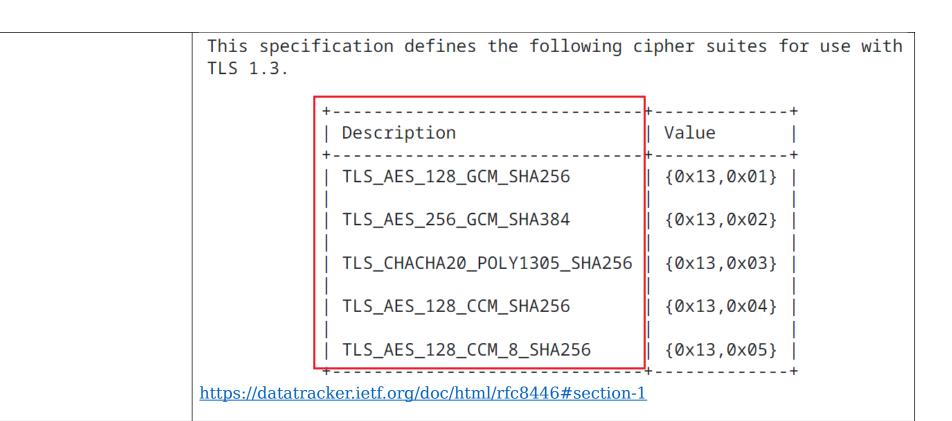
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       /* ECDSA algorithms */
       ecdsa_secp256r1_sha256(0x0403),
       ecdsa_secp384r1_sha384(0x0503),
       ecdsa_secp521r1_sha512(0x0603),
       /* RSASSA-PSS algorithms with public key OID rsaEncryption */
       rsa_pss_rsae_sha256(0x0804),
       rsa_pss_rsae_sha384(0x0805),
       rsa_pss_rsae_sha512(0x0806),
       /* EdDSA algorithms */
       ed25519(0x0807),
       ed448(0x0808),
       /* RSASSA-PSS algorithms with public key OID RSASSA-PSS */
       rsa_pss_pss_sha256(0x0809),
       rsa_pss_pss_sha384(0x080a),
       rsa_pss_pss_sha512(0x080b),
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There is also a decryption function D that takes a ciphertext and a decryption key  $K_D$ , and reproduces the plaintext message.

$$D(C, K_D) = P$$

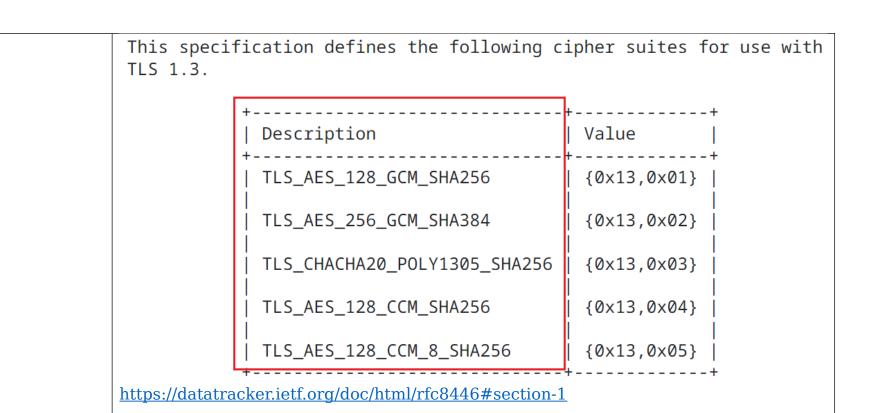
In a *symmetric* or *private key* system, the encryption and decryption keys are the same. A private key system has the disadvantage that the parties must get together and agree upon a shared key. It has the advantage in that the computational overhead is smaller. Once the key is in place, communication can happen much faster.

In an *asymmetric* or *public key* system, the two keys are different. Each participant has her or his own pair of keys. The encryption keys are known to everyone, but the decryption keys are kept secret. Person *A* can look up person *B*'s encryption key, encrypt a message with it, and send the result to person *B*. Only someone with *B*'s decryption key, namely only *B*, can read the message. An eavesdropper *E* might intercept the encrypted message but would not be able to decipher it. <a href="https://cs.pomona.edu/~dkauchak/classes/s17/cs52-s17/handouts/encryption.pdf">https://cs.pomona.edu/~dkauchak/classes/s17/cs52-s17/handouts/encryption.pdf</a>

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to the same code. You may have seen references to the commonly used hash functions MD5, SHA-1, and SHA-256. Suppose that H is a cryptographic hash function. To sign a message m, party A computes  $h = D_A(H(m))$  and sends  $E_B(m,h)$  to B. Party B now has evidence that A signed m because  $E_A(h) = H(m)$ , and A is the only one who could have generated a value h with that property.

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The authenticated encryption operation has four inputs, each of which is an octet string:

A secret key K, which MUST be generated in a way that is uniformly random or pseudorandom.

A nonce N. Each nonce provided to distinct invocations of the Authenticated Encryption operation MUST be distinct, for any particular value of the key, unless each and every nonce is zero-length. Applications that can generate distinct nonces SHOULD use the nonce formation method defined in <a href="Section 3.2">Section 3.2</a>, and MAY use any other method that meets the uniqueness requirement. Other applications SHOULD use zero-length nonces.

A plaintext P, which contains the data to be encrypted and authenticated.

The associated data A, which contains the data to be authenticated, but not encrypted.

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# 2.2. Authenticated Decryption

The authenticated decryption operation has four inputs: K, N, A, and C, as defined above. It has only a single output, either a plaintext value P or a special symbol FAIL that indicates that the inputs are not authentic. A ciphertext C, a nonce N, and associated data A are authentic for key K when C is generated by the encrypt operation with inputs K, N, P, and A, for some values of N, P, and A. The authenticated decrypt operation will, with high probability, return FAIL whenever the inputs N, P, and A were crafted by a noncerespecting adversary that does not know the secret key (assuming that the AEAD algorithm is secure).

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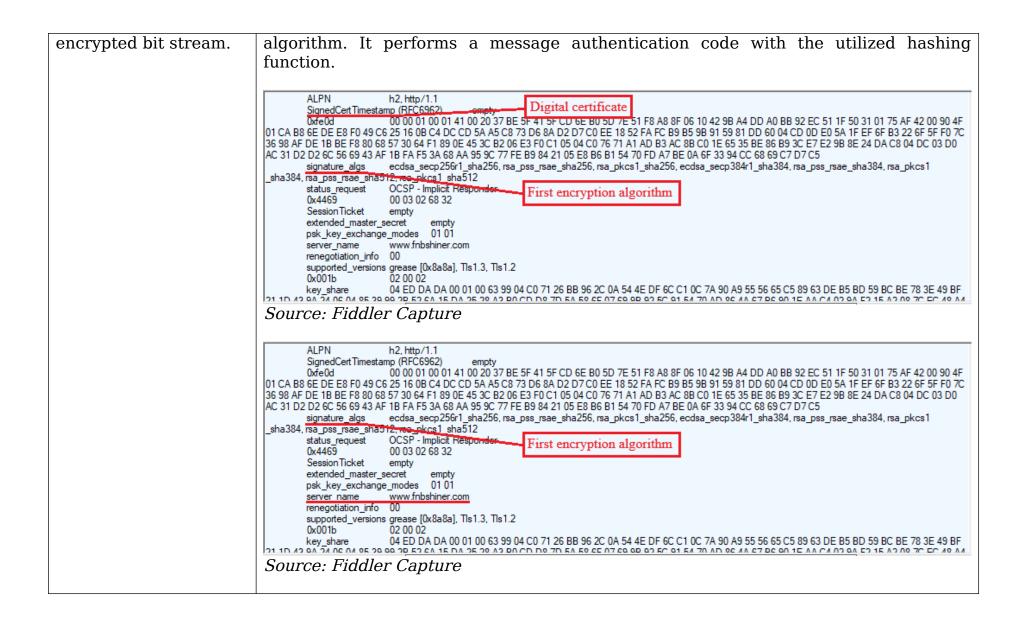
The AEAD output consists of the ciphertext output from the AEAD encryption operation. The length of the plaintext is greater than the corresponding TLSPlaintext.length due to the inclusion of TLSInnerPlaintext.type and any padding supplied by the sender. length of the AEAD output will generally be larger than the plaintext, but by an amount that varies with the AEAD algorithm.

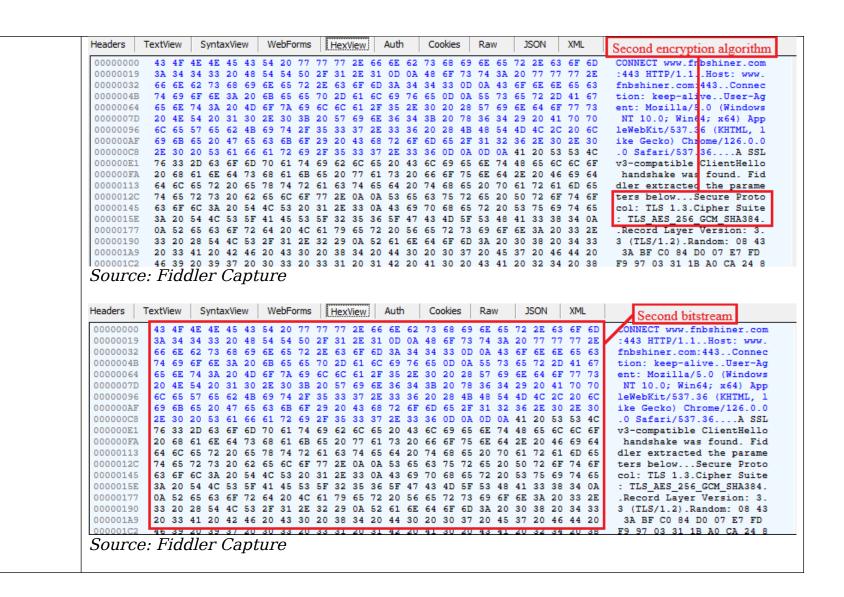
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21, further operable for associating first a Message Authentication Code (MAC) or first digital

30. The system of claim The standard practices associating a first Message Authentication Code (MAC) (e.g., message authentication code with hashing function) or first digital signature with each encrypted bit stream (e.g., encrypted bit stream with the signature encryption algorithm i.e., SHA256RSA, etc., and encrypted bitstream with the AEAD encryption algorithm i.e., TLS AES 256 GCM SHA384, etc.).

signature with each As shown below, the standard discloses a hashing function with each of the encryption





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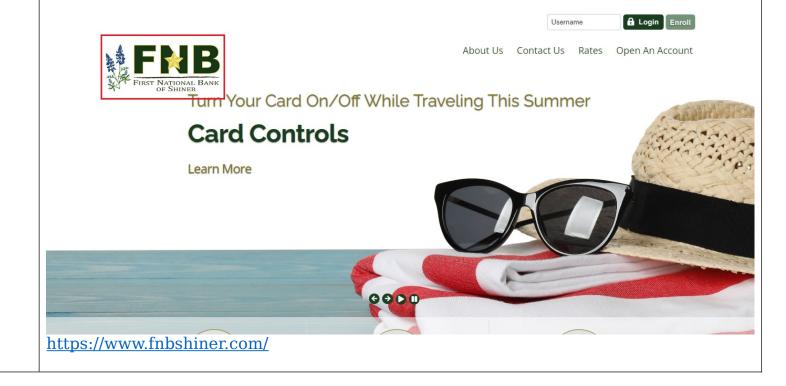
The list of supported symmetric encryption algorithms has been pruned of all algorithms that are considered legacy. Those that remain are all Authenticated Encryption with Associated Data (AEAD) algorithms. The cipher suite concept has been changed to separate the authentication and key exchange mechanisms from the record protection algorithm (including secret key length) and a hash to be used with both the key derivation function and handshake message authentication code (MAC).

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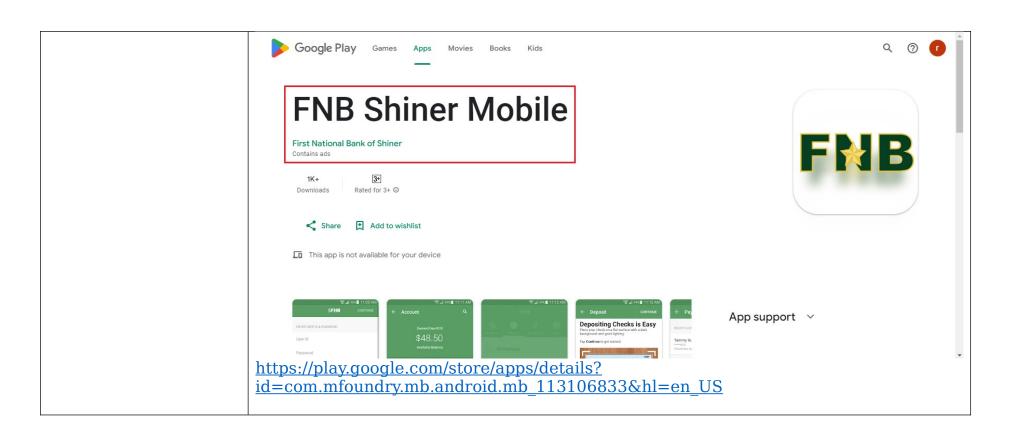
37. A computer storage The accused instrumentality utilizes a computer storage device (e.g., a memory of the device for a recursive server of the accused instrumentality) for a recursive security protocol (e.g., TLS 1.3 security protocol for protecting digital content, comprising instructions executable by a processor for performing the steps of:

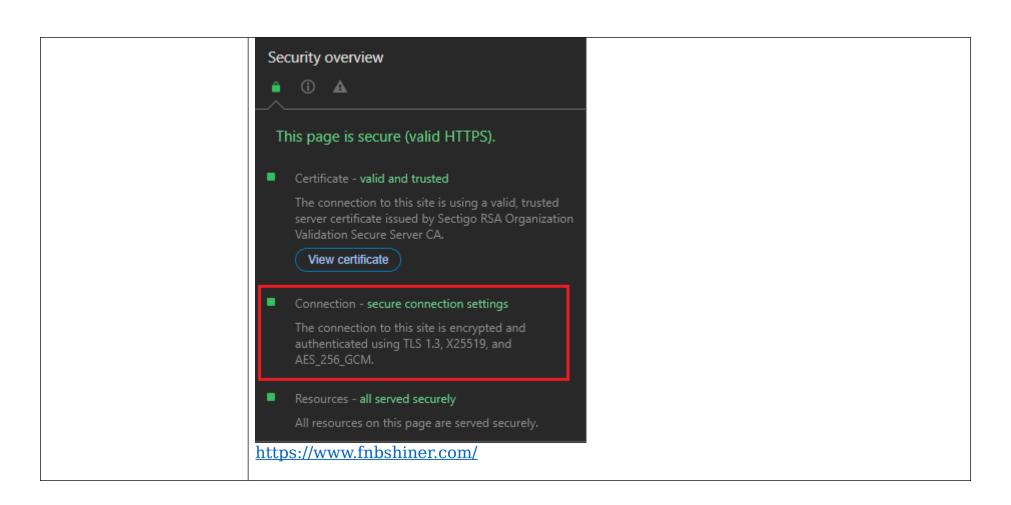
security protocol) for protecting digital content (e.g., digital certificate related to the accused instrumentality), comprising instructions executable by a processor (e.g., a processor of the server of the accused instrumentality).

The accused instrumentality utilizes TLS 1.3 security protocol (hereinafter "the standard") for communicating content such as digital certificate, application data, etc., with a client. The standard provides a two-level encryption security. It encrypts a plaintext with a first encryption technique and generates a ciphertext. Further, it encrypts the ciphertext with a second encryption technique i.e., recursive encryption security.









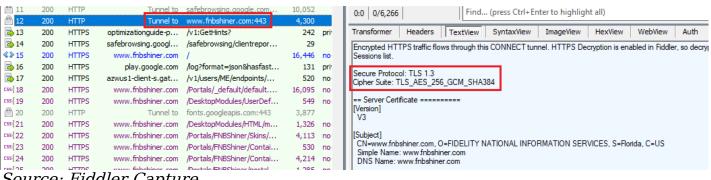
# The Transport Layer Security (TLS) Protocol Version 1.3

#### Abstract

This document specifies version 1.3 of the Transport Layer Security (TLS) protocol. TLS allows client/server applications to communicate over the Internet in a way that is designed to prevent eavesdropping, tampering, and message forgery.

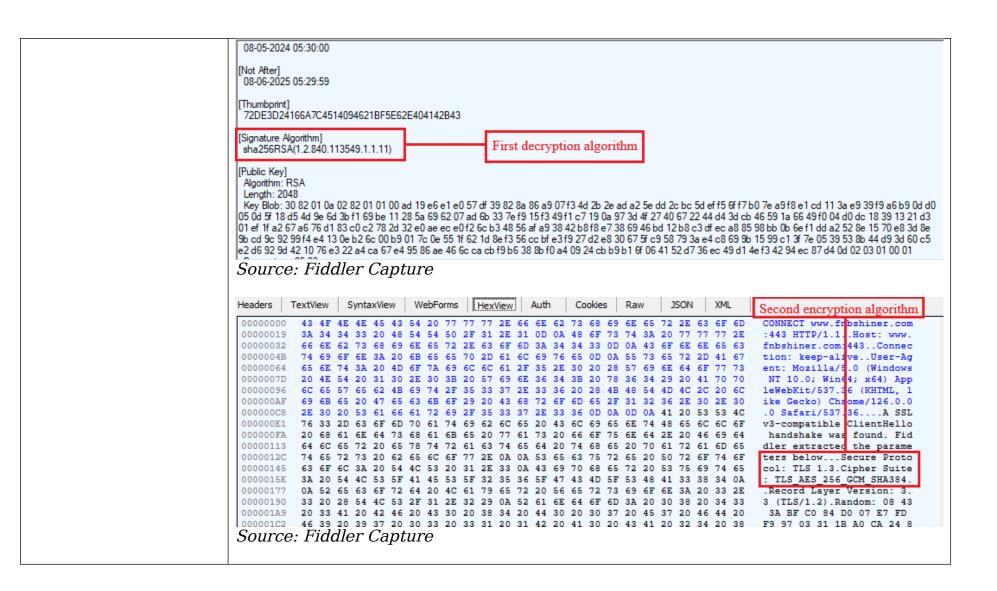
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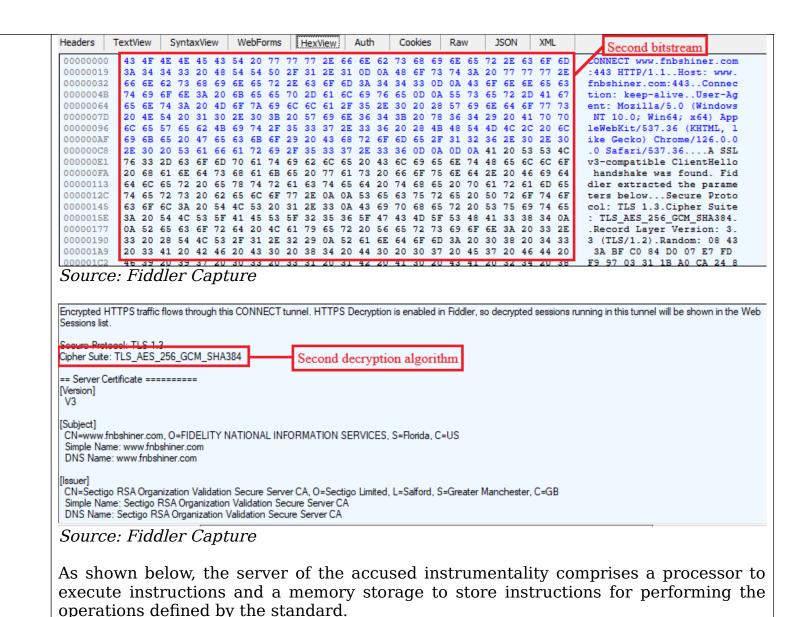
As shown below, the accused instrumentality utilizes a two-level algorithm security. It utilizes the SHA256RSA encryption algorithm as a first encryption algorithm i.e., signature encryption algorithm and the TLS AES 256 GCM SHA384 encryption algorithm as a second encryption algorithm i.e., AEAD encryption algorithm.



Source: Fiddler Capture

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h2. http/1.1
                                                         Digital certificate
         SignedCertTimestamp (RFC6962)
                           00 00 01 00 01 41 00 20 37 BE 5F 41 5F CD 6E 80 5D 7E 51 F8 A8 8F 06 10 42 9B A4 DD A0 BB 92 EC 51 1F 50 31 01 75 AF 42 00 90 4F
01 CA B8 6E DE E8 F0 49 C6 25 16 0B C4 DC CD 5A A5 C8 73 D6 8A D2 D7 C0 EE 18 52 FA FC B9 B5 9B 91 59 81 DD 60 04 CD 0D E0 5A 1F EF 6F B3 22 6F 5F F0 7C
36 98 AF DE 1B BE F8 80 68 57 30 64 F1 89 0E 45 3C B2 06 E3 F0 C1 05 04 C0 76 71 A1 AD B3 AC 8B C0 1E 65 35 BE 86 B9 3C E7 E2 9B 8E 24 DA C8 04 DC 03 D0
AC 31 D2 D2 6C 56 69 43 AF 1B FA F5 3A 68 AA 95 9C 77 FE B9 84 21 05 E8 B6 B1 54 70 FD A7 BE 0A 6F 33 94 CC 68 69 C7 D7 C5
                           ecdsa_secp256r1_sha256, rsa_pss_rsae_sha256, rsa_pkcs1_sha256, ecdsa_secp384r1_sha384, rsa_pss_rsae_sha384, rsa_pkcs1
 sha384, rsa pss rsae sha512, rea pkcs1 sha512
                          OCSP - Implicit Respons
         status request
                                                        First encryption algorithm
         0x4469
                           00 03 02 68 32
         Session Ticket
                          empty
         extended_master_secret
         psk_key_exchange_modes 01 01
                          www.fnbshiner.com
         server name
         renegotiation_info 00
         supported_versions grease [0x8a8a], Tls1.3, Tls1.2
                           02 00 02
         0x001b
key share 04 ED DA DA 00 01 00 63 99 04 C0 71 26 BB 96 2C 0A 54 4E DF 6C C1 0C 7A 90 A9 55 56 65 C5 89 63 DE B5 BD 59 BC BE 78 3E 49 BF
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                           h2, http/1.1
         SignedCertTimestamp (RFC6962)
                                            empty
                           00 00 01 00 01 41 00 20 37 BE 5F 41 5F CD 6E B0 5D 7E 51 F8 A8 8F 06 10 42 9B A4 DD A0 BB 92 EC 51 1F 50 31 01 75 AF 42 00 90 4F
01 CA B8 6E DE E8 F0 49 C6 25 16 0B C4 DC CD 5A A5 C8 73 D6 8A D2 D7 C0 EE 18 52 FA FC B9 B5 9B 91 59 81 DD 60 04 CD 0D E0 5A 1F EF 6F B3 22 6F 5F F0 7C
36 98 AF DE 1B BE F8 80 68 57 30 64 F1 89 0E 45 3C B2 06 E3 F0 C1 05 04 C0 76 71 A1 AD B3 AC 8B C0 1E 65 35 BE 86 B9 3C E7 E2 9B 8E 24 DA C8 04 DC 03 D0
AC 31 D2 D2 6C 56 69 43 AF 1B FA F5 3A 68 AA 95 9C 77 FE B9 84 21 05 E8 B6 B1 54 70 FD A7 BE 0A 6F 33 94 CC 68 69 C7 D7 C5
         signature_algs ecdsa_secp256r1_sha256, rsa_pss_rsae_sha256, rsa_pkcs1_sha256, ecdsa_secp384r1_sha384, rsa_pss_rsae_sha384, rsa_pkcs1
 sha384, rsa pss rsae sha512, rea pkcs1 sha512
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         0x4469
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         renegotiation_info 00
         supported versions grease [0x8a8a], Tls1.3, Tls1.2
                           02 00 02
         0x001b
                           04 ED DA DA 00 01 00 63 99 04 C0 71 26 BB 96 2C 0A 54 4E DF 6C C1 0C 7A 90 A9 55 56 65 C5 89 63 DE B5 BD 59 BC BE 78 3E 49 BF
21 1D 42 0A 24 DE DA 05 20 00 2D 52 CA 15 DA 25 20 A2 DD CD DO 7D 5A 50 50 ED 7 CO 0D 02 FC 01 54 70 AD 00 AA 57 DC 0D 1E AA CA D2 0A 52 15 A2 00 7C EC 40 AA
Source: Fiddler Capture
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# 2. Processor









The CPU -- or simply processor -- is a complex microcircuitry device that serves as the foundation of all computer operations. It supports hundreds of possible commands hardwired into hundreds of millions of transistors to process low-level software instructions -- microcode -- and data and derive a desired logical or mathematical result. The processor works closely with memory, which both holds the software instructions and data to be processed as well as the results or output of those processor operations.

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# 3. Random access memory

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RAM is the main type of memory in a computing system.

RAM holds the software instructions and data needed by the processor, along with any output from the processor, such as data to be moved to a storage device. Thus, RAM works very closely with the processor and must match the processor's incredible speed and performance. This kind of fast memory is usually termed <a href="mailto:dynamic RAM">dynamic RAM</a>, and several DRAM variations are available for servers.

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# 4. Hard disk drive









This hardware is responsible for reading, writing and positioning of the hard disk, which is one technology for data storage on server hardware. Developed at IBM in 1953, the hard disk drive (HDD) has evolved over time from the size of a refrigerator to the standard 2.5-inch and 3.5-inch form factors.

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Because the ClientHello indicates the time at which the client sent it, it is possible to efficiently determine whether a ClientHello was likely sent reasonably recently and only accept 0-RTT for such a ClientHello, otherwise falling back to a 1-RTT handshake. This is necessary for the ClientHello storage mechanism described in Section 8.2 because otherwise the server needs to store an unlimited number of ClientHellos, and is a useful optimization for selfcontained single-use tickets because it allows efficient rejection of ClientHellos which cannot be used for 0-RTT.

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The standard defines four record message types, including a handshake message type. The handshake messages are communicated to establish a secure channel for TLS communication. A client device and a server negotiate an AEAD algorithm for encrypting TLS record message data. It discloses that after Hello handshake messages i.e., a ClientHello message and a ServerHello message, all handshake messages are encrypted with the negotiated encryption algorithm. One of the handshake messages after hello handshake messages i.e., an authentication message from the client, comprises a digital certificate encrypted by a signature encryption algorithm and a certificate verify message comprising information related to the signature decryption algorithm.

As shown below, the digital certificate is encrypted with the signature encryption algorithm and the certificate verify message, associated with the encrypted digital certificate, has a signature algorithm extension field that provides information related to the signature decryption algorithm. The authentication message is a TLS plaintext handshake message. This message is again encrypted with the negotiated AEAD encryption algorithm, e.g., recursive security protocol. The AEAD encrypted message is communicated between the client and the server.

#### Record Protocol

The <u>TLS</u> record protocol takes messages to be transmitted, fragments the data into manageable blocks, protects the records, and transmits the result. Received data is verified, decrypted, reassembled, and then delivered to higher-level clients.

TLS records are typed, which allows multiple higher-level protocols to be multiplexed over the same record layer. This document specifies <u>four content types: handshake</u>, application\_data, alert, and change\_cipher\_spec. The change\_cipher\_spec record is used only for compatibility purposes (see Appendix D.4).

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#### 2. Protocol Overview

Negotiating encryption algorithm

The cryptographic parameters used by the secure channel are produced by the TLS handshake protocol. This sub-protocol of TLS is used by the client and server when first communicating with each other. The handshake protocol allows peers to negotiate a protocol version, select cryptographic algorithms, optionally authenticate each other, and establish shared secret keying material. Once the handshake is complete, the peers use the established keys to protect the application-layer traffic.

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TLS consists of two primary components:

- A handshake protocol (<u>Section 4</u>) that authenticates the communicating parties, <u>negotiates cryptographic modes and parameters</u>, and establishes shared keying material. The handshake protocol is designed to resist tampering, an active attacker should not be able to force the peers to negotiate different parameters than they would if the connection were not under attack.

  Negotiating encryption algos
- A record protocol (<u>Section 5</u>) that uses the parameters established by the handshake protocol to protect traffic between the communicating peers. The record protocol divides traffic up into a series of records, each of which is independently protected using the traffic keys.

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All handshake messages after the ServerHello are now encrypted. The newly introduced EncryptedExtensions message allows various extensions previously sent in the clear in the ServerHello to also enjoy confidentiality protection.

#### **4.4**. Authentication Messages

As discussed in <u>Section 2</u>, TLS generally uses a common set of messages for authentication, key confirmation, and handshake integrity: Certificate, CertificateVerify, and Finished. (The PSK binders also perform key confirmation, in a similar fashion.) These three messages are always sent as the last messages in their handshake flight. The Certificate and CertificateVerify messages are only sent under certain circumstances, as defined below. The Finished message is always sent as part of the Authentication Block. These messages are encrypted under keys derived from the [sender]\_handshake\_traffic\_secret.

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Figure 1 below shows the basic full TLS handshake:
        Client
                                                           Server
 Key ^ ClientHello
 Exch | + key_share*
        + signature_algorithms*
        + psk_key_exchange_modes*
      v + pre_shared_key*
                                                     ServerHello ^ Key
                                                    + key_share*
                                                                  | Exch
                                               + pre_shared_key*
                                           {EncryptedExtensions}
                                                                  ^ Server
                                           {CertificateRequest*}
                                                                  v Params
                                                  {Certificate*}
                                            {CertificateVerify*}
                                                                    Auth
    Digital Content
                                                      {Finished}
                                             [Application Data*]
      ^ {Certificate*}
 Auth | {CertificateVerify*}
      v {Finished}
         [Application Data]
                                 <----> [Application Data]
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## 4.1.1. Cryptographic Negotiation

In TLS, the cryptographic negotiation proceeds by the client offering the following four sets of options in its ClientHello:

- A list of cipher suites which indicates the AEAD algorithm/HKDF hash pairs which the client supports.

A "supported\_groups" (<u>Section 4.2.7</u>) extension which indicates the (EC)DHE groups which the client supports and a "key\_share" (<u>Section 4.2.8</u>) extension which contains (EC)DHE shares for some or all of these groups.

- A "signature\_algorithms" (<u>Section 4.2.3</u>) extension which indicates the signature algorithms which the client can accept. A "signature\_algorithms\_cert" extension (<u>Section 4.2.3</u>) may also be added to indicate certificate-specific signature algorithms.
  - A "pre\_shared\_key" (<u>Section 4.2.11</u>) extension which contains a list of symmetric key identities known to the client and a "psk\_key\_exchange\_modes" (<u>Section 4.2.9</u>) extension which indicates the key exchange modes that may be used with PSKs.

#### 4.4.2. Certificate

This message conveys the endpoint's certificate chain to the peer.

The server MUST send a Certificate message whenever the agreed-upon key exchange method uses certificates for authentication (this includes all key exchange methods defined in this document except PSK).

The client MUST send a Certificate message if and only if the server has requested client authentication via a CertificateRequest message (Section 4.3.2). If the server requests client authentication but no suitable certificate is available, the client MUST send a Certificate message containing no certificates (i.e., with the "certificate\_list" field having length 0). A Finished message MUST be sent regardless of whether the Certificate message is empty.

#### 4.4.2.3. Client Certificate Selection

The following rules apply to certificates sent by the client:

- The certificate type MUST be X.509v3 [RFC5280], unless explicitly negotiated otherwise (e.g., [RFC7250]).
- If the "certificate\_authorities" extension in the CertificateRequest message was present, at least one of the certificates in the certificate chain SHOULD be issued by one of the listed CAs.
- The certificates MUST be signed using an acceptable signature algorithm, as described in <u>Section 4.3.2</u>. Note that this relaxes the constraints on certificate-signing algorithms found in prior versions of TLS.
- If the CertificateRequest message contained a non-empty "oid\_filters" extension, the end-entity certificate MUST match the extension OIDs that are recognized by the client, as described in Section 4.2.5.

#### 4.4.3. Certificate Verify

This message is used to provide explicit proof that an endpoint possesses the private key corresponding to its certificate. The CertificateVerify message also provides integrity for the handshake up to this point. Servers MUST send this message when authenticating via a certificate. Clients MUST send this message whenever authenticating via a certificate (i.e., when the Certificate message is non-empty). When sent, this message MUST appear immediately after the Certificate message and immediately prior to the Finished message.

Structure of this message:

```
struct {
    SignatureScheme algorithm;
    opaque signature<0..2^16-1>;
} CertificateVerify;
```

The algorithm field specifies the signature algorithm used (see Section 4.2.3 for the definition of this type). The signature is a digital signature using that algorithm. The content that is covered under the signature is the hash output as described in Section 4.4.1, namely:

# 4.3.2. Certificate Request

A server which is authenticating with a certificate MAY optionally request a certificate from the client. This message, if sent, MUST follow EncryptedExtensions.

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Structure of this message:
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```
struct {
    opaque certificate_request_context<0..2^8-1>;
    Extension extensions<2..2^16-1>;
} CertificateRequest;
```

certificate\_request\_context: An opaque string which identifies the certificate request and which will be echoed in the client's Certificate message. The certificate\_request\_context MUST be unique within the scope of this connection (thus preventing replay of client CertificateVerify messages). This field SHALL be zero length unless used for the post-handshake authentication exchanges described in <a href="Section 4.6.2">Section 4.6.2</a>. When requesting post-handshake authentication, the server SHOULD make the context unpredictable to the client (e.g., by randomly generating it) in order to prevent an attacker who has temporary access to the client's private key from pre-computing valid CertificateVerify messages.

extensions: A set of extensions describing the parameters of the certificate being requested. The "signature\_algorithms" extension MUST be specified, and other extensions may optionally be included if defined for this message. Clients MUST ignore unrecognized extensions.

If sent by a client, the signature algorithm used in the signature MUST be one of those present in the supported\_signature\_algorithms field of the "signature\_algorithms" extension in the CertificateRequest message.

In addition, the signature algorithm MUST be compatible with the key in the sender's end-entity certificate. RSA signatures MUST use an RSASSA-PSS algorithm, regardless of whether RSASSA-PKCS1-v1\_5 algorithms appear in "signature\_algorithms". The SHA-1 algorithm MUST NOT be used in any signatures of CertificateVerify messages.

# 4.2.3. Signature Algorithms

TLS 1.3 provides two extensions for indicating which signature algorithms may be used in digital signatures. The "signature\_algorithms\_cert" extension applies to signatures in certificates, and the "signature\_algorithms" extension, which originally appeared in TLS 1.2, applies to signatures in CertificateVerify messages. The keys found in certificates MUST also be of appropriate type for the signature algorithms they are used with. This is a particular issue for RSA keys and PSS signatures, as described below. If no "signature algorithms cert" extension is present, then the "signature\_algorithms" extension also applies to signatures appearing in certificates. Clients which desire the server to authenticate itself via a certificate MUST send the "signature\_algorithms" extension. If a server is authenticating via a certificate and the client has not sent a "signature\_algorithms" extension, then the server MUST abort the handshake with a "missing\_extension" alert (see <a>Section 9.2</a>).

The "signature\_algorithms\_cert" extension was added to allow implementations which supported different sets of algorithms for certificates and in TLS itself to clearly signal their capabilities. TLS 1.2 implementations SHOULD also process this extension. Implementations which have the same policy in both cases MAY omit the "signature\_algorithms\_cert" extension.

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The "extension_data" field of these extensions contains a
SignatureSchemeList value:
   enum {
       /* RSASSA-PKCS1-v1_5 algorithms */
       rsa_pkcs1_sha256(0x0401),
       rsa_pkcs1_sha384(0x0501),
       rsa_pkcs1_sha512(0x0601),
       /* ECDSA algorithms */
       ecdsa_secp256r1_sha256(0x0403),
       ecdsa_secp384r1_sha384(0x0503),
       ecdsa_secp521r1_sha512(0x0603),
       /* RSASSA-PSS algorithms with public key OID rsaEncryption */
       rsa_pss_rsae_sha256(0x0804),
       rsa_pss_rsae_sha384(0x0805),
       rsa_pss_rsae_sha512(0x0806),
       /* EdDSA algorithms */
       ed25519(0x0807),
       ed448(0x0808),
       /* RSASSA-PSS algorithms with public key OID RSASSA-PSS */
       rsa_pss_pss_sha256(0x0809),
       rsa_pss_pss_sha384(0x080a),
       rsa_pss_pss_sha512(0x080b),
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### Introduction

The primary goal of TLS is to provide a secure channel between two communicating peers; the only requirement from the underlying transport is a reliable, in-order data stream. Specifically, the secure channel should provide the following properties:

Authentication: The server side of the channel is always authenticated; the client side is optionally authenticated.
 Authentication can happen via asymmetric cryptography (e.g., RSA [RSA], the Elliptic Curve Digital Signature Algorithm (ECDSA) [ECDSA], or the Edwards-Curve Digital Signature Algorithm (EdDSA) [RFC8032]) or a symmetric pre-shared key (PSK).

First encryption

- Confidentiality: Data sent over the channel after establishment is only visible to the endpoints. TLS does not hide the length of the data it transmits, though endpoints are able to pad TLS records in order to obscure lengths and improve protection against traffic analysis techniques.
- Integrity: Data sent over the channel after establishment cannot be modified by attackers without detection.

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# <u>5.1</u>. Record Layer

The record layer fragments information blocks into TLSPlaintext records carrying data in chunks of 2^14 bytes or less. Message boundaries are handled differently depending on the underlying ContentType. Any future content types MUST specify appropriate rules. Note that these rules are stricter than what was enforced in TLS 1.2.

Handshake messages MAY be coalesced into a single TLSPlaintext record or fragmented across several records, provided that:

- Handshake messages MUST NOT be interleaved with other record types. That is, if a handshake message is split over two or more records, there MUST NOT be any other records between them.

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### 5.2. Record Payload Protection

The record protection functions translate a TLSPlaintext structure into a TLSCiphertext structure. The deprotection functions reverse the process. In TLS 1.3, as opposed to previous versions of TLS, all ciphers are modeled as "Authenticated Encryption with Associated Data" (AEAD) [RFC5116]. AEAD functions provide a unified encryption and authentication operation which turns plaintext into authenticated ciphertext and back again. Each encrypted record consists of a plaintext header followed by an encrypted body, which itself contains a type and optional padding.

AEAD algorithms take as input a single key, a nonce, a plaintext, and "additional data" to be included in the authentication check, as described in <a href="Section 2.1 of [RFC5116]">Section 2.1 of [RFC5116]</a>. The key is either the client\_write\_key or the server\_write\_key, the nonce is derived from the sequence number and the client\_write\_iv or server\_write\_iv (see <a href="Section 5.3">Section 5.3</a>), and the additional data input is the record header.

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The AEAD approach enables applications that need cryptographic security services to more easily adopt those services. It benefits the application designer by allowing them to focus on important issues such as security services, canonicalization, and data marshaling, and relieving them of the need to design crypto mechanisms that meet their security goals. Importantly, the security of an AEAD algorithm can be analyzed independent from its use in a particular application. This property frees the user of the AEAD of the need to consider security aspects such as the relative order of authentication and encryption and the security of the particular combination of cipher and MAC, such as the potential loss of

confidentiality through the MAC. The application designer that uses the AEAD interface need not select a particular AEAD algorithm during the design stage. Additionally, the interface to the AEAD is relatively simple, since it requires only a single key as input and requires only a single identifier to indicate the algorithm in use in a particular case.

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### 2.1. Authenticated Encryption

The <u>authenticated encryption operation has four inputs</u>, each of which is an octet string:

A  $\underline{\text{secret key K}}$ , which MUST be generated in a way that is uniformly random or pseudorandom.

A nonce N. Each nonce provided to distinct invocations of the Authenticated Encryption operation MUST be distinct, for any particular value of the key, unless each and every nonce is zero-length. Applications that can generate distinct nonces SHOULD use the nonce formation method defined in <a href="Section 3.2">Section 3.2</a>, and MAY use any other method that meets the uniqueness requirement. Other applications SHOULD use zero-length nonces.

A plaintext P, which contains the data to be encrypted and authenticated.

The associated data A, which contains the data to be authenticated, but not encrypted.

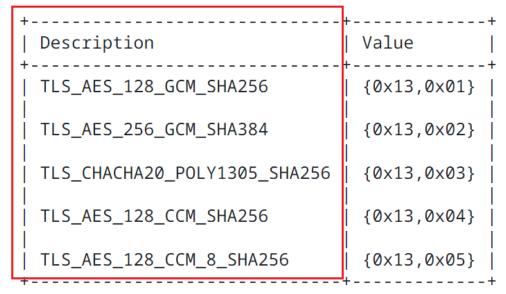
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The AEAD output consists of the ciphertext output from the AEAD encryption operation. The length of the plaintext is greater than the corresponding TLSPlaintext.length due to the inclusion of TLSInnerPlaintext.type and any padding supplied by the sender. The length of the AEAD output will generally be larger than the plaintext, but by an amount that varies with the AEAD algorithm.

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Each AEAD algorithm will specify a range of possible lengths for the per-record nonce, from N\_MIN bytes to N\_MAX bytes of input [RFC5116]. The length of the TLS per-record nonce (iv\_length) is set to the larger of 8 bytes and N\_MIN for the AEAD algorithm (see [RFC5116], Section 4). An AEAD algorithm where N\_MAX is less than 8 bytes MUST NOT be used with TLS. The per-record nonce for the AEAD construction is formed as follows: https://datatracker.ietf.org/doc/html/rfc8446#section-1

This specification defines the following cipher suites for use with TLS 1.3.

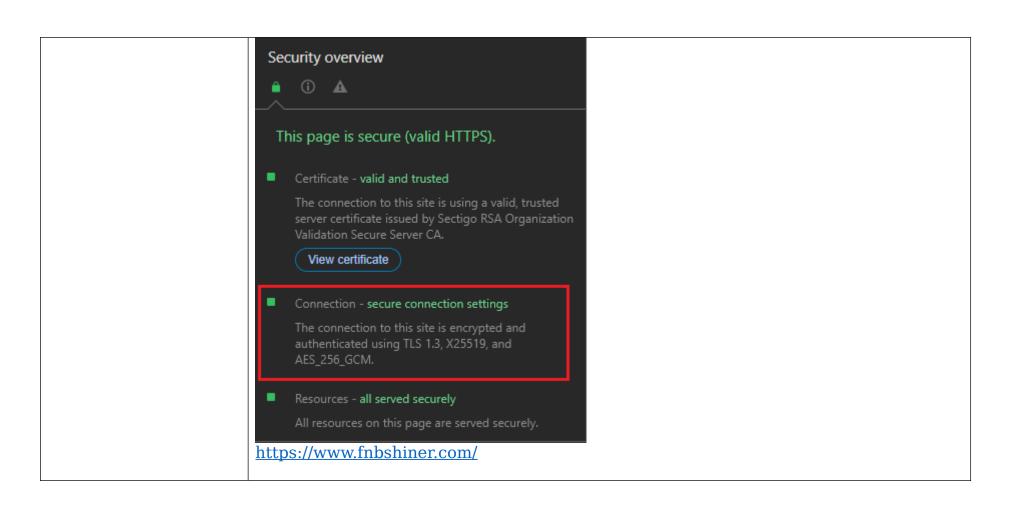


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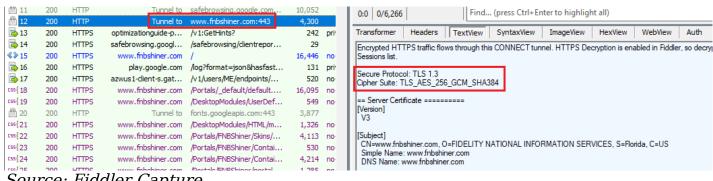
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#### Abstract

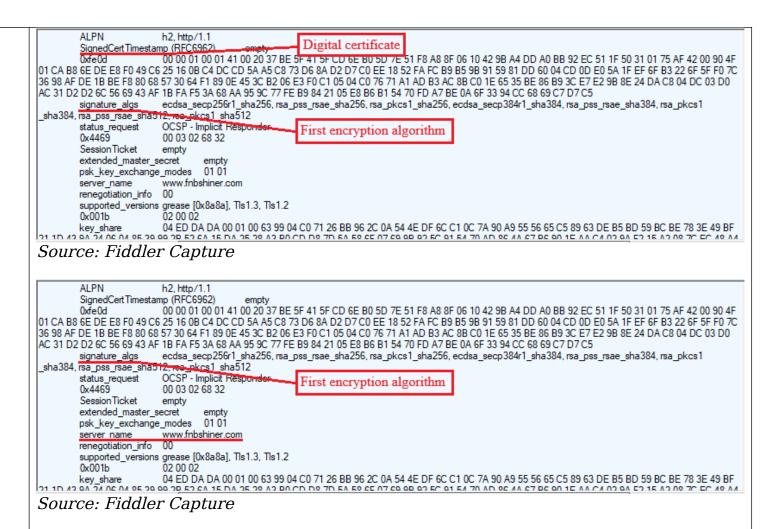
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The standard defines four record message types, including a handshake message type. The handshake messages are communicated to establish a secure channel for TLS communication. A client device and a server negotiate an AEAD algorithm for encrypting TLS record message data. It discloses that after Hello handshake messages i.e., a ClientHello message and a ServerHello message, all handshake messages are

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As shown below, the digital certificate is encrypted with the signature encryption algorithm and the certificate verify message, associated with the encrypted digital certificate, has a signature algorithm extension field that provides information related to the signature decryption algorithm. The authentication message is a TLS plaintext handshake message. This message is again encrypted with the negotiated AEAD encryption algorithm, e.g., recursive security protocol. The AEAD encrypted message is communicated between the client and the server.

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### 2. Protocol Overview

Negotiating encryption algorithm

The cryptographic parameters used by the secure channel are produced by the TLS handshake protocol. This sub-protocol of TLS is used by the client and server when first communicating with each other. The handshake protocol allows peers to negotiate a protocol version, select cryptographic algorithms, optionally authenticate each other, and establish shared secret keying material. Once the handshake is complete, the peers use the established keys to protect the application-layer traffic.

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TLS consists of two primary components:

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All handshake messages after the ServerHello are now encrypted. The newly introduced EncryptedExtensions message allows various extensions previously sent in the clear in the ServerHello to also enjoy confidentiality protection.

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# <u>4.4</u>. Authentication Messages

As discussed in <u>Section 2</u>, TLS generally uses a common set of messages for authentication, key confirmation, and handshake integrity: Certificate, CertificateVerify, and Finished. (The PSK binders also perform key confirmation, in a similar fashion.) These three messages are always sent as the last messages in their handshake flight. The Certificate and CertificateVerify messages are only sent under certain circumstances, as defined below. The Finished message is always sent as part of the Authentication Block. These messages are encrypted under keys derived from the [sender] handshake\_traffic\_secret.

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        + psk_key_exchange_modes*
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                                                                  | Exch
                                               + pre_shared_key*
                                           {EncryptedExtensions}
                                                                  ^ Server
                                           {CertificateRequest*}
                                                                  v Params
                                                  {Certificate*}
                                            {CertificateVerify*}
                                                                    Auth
    Digital Content
                                                      {Finished}
                                             [Application Data*]
      ^ {Certificate*}
 Auth | {CertificateVerify*}
      v {Finished}
         [Application Data]
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# <u>4.1.1</u>. Cryptographic Negotiation

In TLS, the cryptographic negotiation proceeds by the client offering the following four sets of options in its ClientHello:

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- A "signature\_algorithms" (<u>Section 4.2.3</u>) extension which indicates the signature algorithms which the client can accept. A "signature\_algorithms\_cert" extension (<u>Section 4.2.3</u>) may also be added to indicate certificate-specific signature algorithms.
  - A "pre\_shared\_key" (<u>Section 4.2.11</u>) extension which contains a list of symmetric key identities known to the client and a "psk\_key\_exchange\_modes" (<u>Section 4.2.9</u>) extension which indicates the key exchange modes that may be used with PSKs.

### 4.4.2. Certificate

This message conveys the endpoint's certificate chain to the peer.

The server MUST send a Certificate message whenever the agreed-upon key exchange method uses certificates for authentication (this includes all key exchange methods defined in this document except PSK).

The client MUST send a Certificate message if and only if the server has requested client authentication via a CertificateRequest message (Section 4.3.2). If the server requests client authentication but no suitable certificate is available, the client MUST send a Certificate message containing no certificates (i.e., with the "certificate\_list" field having length 0). A Finished message MUST be sent regardless of whether the Certificate message is empty.

### 4.4.2.3. Client Certificate Selection

The following rules apply to certificates sent by the client:

- The certificate type MUST be X.509v3 [RFC5280], unless explicitly negotiated otherwise (e.g., [RFC7250]).
- If the "certificate\_authorities" extension in the CertificateRequest message was present, at least one of the certificates in the certificate chain SHOULD be issued by one of the listed CAs.
- The certificates MUST be signed using an acceptable signature algorithm, as described in <u>Section 4.3.2</u>. Note that this relaxes the constraints on certificate-signing algorithms found in prior versions of TLS.
- If the CertificateRequest message contained a non-empty "oid\_filters" extension, the end-entity certificate MUST match the extension OIDs that are recognized by the client, as described in Section 4.2.5.

#### 4.4.3. Certificate Verify

This message is used to provide explicit proof that an endpoint possesses the private key corresponding to its certificate. The CertificateVerify message also provides integrity for the handshake up to this point. Servers MUST send this message when authenticating via a certificate. Clients MUST send this message whenever authenticating via a certificate (i.e., when the Certificate message is non-empty). When sent, this message MUST appear immediately after the Certificate message and immediately prior to the Finished message.

Structure of this message:

```
struct {
    SignatureScheme algorithm;
    opaque signature<0..2^16-1>;
} CertificateVerify;
```

The algorithm field specifies the signature algorithm used (see Section 4.2.3 for the definition of this type). The signature is a digital signature using that algorithm. The content that is covered under the signature is the hash output as described in Section 4.4.1, namely:

# 4.3.2. Certificate Request

A server which is authenticating with a certificate MAY optionally request a certificate from the client. This message, if sent, MUST follow EncryptedExtensions.

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Structure of this message:
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```
struct {
    opaque certificate_request_context<0..2^8-1>;
    Extension extensions<2..2^16-1>;
} CertificateRequest;
```

certificate\_request\_context: An opaque string which identifies the certificate request and which will be echoed in the client's Certificate message. The certificate\_request\_context MUST be unique within the scope of this connection (thus preventing replay of client CertificateVerify messages). This field SHALL be zero length unless used for the post-handshake authentication exchanges described in <a href="Section 4.6.2">Section 4.6.2</a>. When requesting post-handshake authentication, the server SHOULD make the context unpredictable to the client (e.g., by randomly generating it) in order to prevent an attacker who has temporary access to the client's private key from pre-computing valid CertificateVerify messages.

extensions: A set of extensions describing the parameters of the certificate being requested. The "signature\_algorithms" extension MUST be specified, and other extensions may optionally be included if defined for this message. Clients MUST ignore unrecognized extensions.

If sent by a client, the signature algorithm used in the signature MUST be one of those present in the supported\_signature\_algorithms field of the "signature\_algorithms" extension in the CertificateRequest message.

In addition, the signature algorithm MUST be compatible with the key in the sender's end-entity certificate. RSA signatures MUST use an RSASSA-PSS algorithm, regardless of whether RSASSA-PKCS1-v1\_5 algorithms appear in "signature\_algorithms". The SHA-1 algorithm MUST NOT be used in any signatures of CertificateVerify messages.

# 4.2.3. Signature Algorithms

TLS 1.3 provides two extensions for indicating which signature algorithms may be used in digital signatures. The "signature\_algorithms\_cert" extension applies to signatures in certificates, and the "signature\_algorithms" extension, which originally appeared in TLS 1.2, applies to signatures in CertificateVerify messages. The keys found in certificates MUST also be of appropriate type for the signature algorithms they are used with. This is a particular issue for RSA keys and PSS signatures, as described below. If no "signature algorithms cert" extension is present, then the "signature\_algorithms" extension also applies to signatures appearing in certificates. Clients which desire the server to authenticate itself via a certificate MUST send the "signature\_algorithms" extension. If a server is authenticating via a certificate and the client has not sent a "signature\_algorithms" extension, then the server MUST abort the handshake with a "missing\_extension" alert (see <a>Section 9.2</a>).

The "signature\_algorithms\_cert" extension was added to allow implementations which supported different sets of algorithms for certificates and in TLS itself to clearly signal their capabilities. TLS 1.2 implementations SHOULD also process this extension. Implementations which have the same policy in both cases MAY omit the "signature\_algorithms\_cert" extension.

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The "extension_data" field of these extensions contains a
SignatureSchemeList value:
   enum {
       /* RSASSA-PKCS1-v1_5 algorithms */
       rsa_pkcs1_sha256(0x0401),
       rsa_pkcs1_sha384(0x0501),
       rsa_pkcs1_sha512(0x0601),
       /* ECDSA algorithms */
       ecdsa_secp256r1_sha256(0x0403),
       ecdsa_secp384r1_sha384(0x0503),
       ecdsa_secp521r1_sha512(0x0603),
       /* RSASSA-PSS algorithms with public key OID rsaEncryption */
       rsa_pss_rsae_sha256(0x0804),
       rsa_pss_rsae_sha384(0x0805),
       rsa_pss_rsae_sha512(0x0806),
       /* EdDSA algorithms */
       ed25519(0x0807),
       ed448(0x0808),
       /* RSASSA-PSS algorithms with public key OID RSASSA-PSS */
       rsa_pss_pss_sha256(0x0809),
       rsa_pss_pss_sha384(0x080a),
       rsa_pss_pss_sha512(0x080b),
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### Introduction

The primary goal of TLS is to provide a secure channel between two communicating peers; the only requirement from the underlying transport is a reliable, in-order data stream. Specifically, the secure channel should provide the following properties:

Authentication: The server side of the channel is always authenticated; the client side is optionally authenticated. Authentication can happen via asymmetric cryptography (e.g., RSA [RSA], the Elliptic Curve Digital Signature Algorithm (ECDSA) [ECDSA], or the Edwards-Curve Digital Signature Algorithm (EdDSA) [RFC8032]) or a symmetric pre-shared key (PSK).

First encryption

- Confidentiality: Data sent over the channel after establishment is only visible to the endpoints. TLS does not hide the length of the data it transmits, though endpoints are able to pad TLS records in order to obscure lengths and improve protection against traffic analysis techniques.
- Integrity: Data sent over the channel after establishment cannot be modified by attackers without detection.

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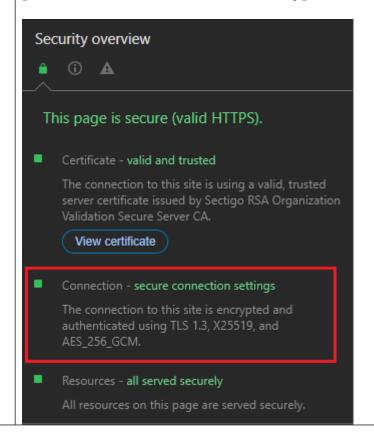
associating decryption stream:

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The standard defines an authentication message, communicated after the hello handshake messages, which comprises an encrypted digital certificate with the signature encryption algorithm and an associated certificate verify message with it. The certificate verify message includes a signature algorithm extension field which provides information for the decryption of the encrypted digital certificate.



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                                                                  ^ Server
                                           {CertificateRequest*}
                                                                  v Params
                                                  {Certificate*}
                                            {CertificateVerify*}
                                                                    Auth
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- The "supported\_versions" ClientHello extension can be used to negotiate the version of TLS to use, in preference to the legacy\_version field of the ClientHello.
- The "signature\_algorithms\_cert" extension allows a client to indicate which signature algorithms it can validate in X.509 certificates.

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### 4.4.2. Certificate

This message conveys the endpoint's certificate chain to the peer.

The server MUST send a Certificate message whenever the agreed-upon key exchange method uses certificates for authentication (this includes all key exchange methods defined in this document except PSK).

The client MUST send a Certificate message if and only if the server has requested client authentication via a CertificateRequest message (Section 4.3.2). If the server requests client authentication but no suitable certificate is available, the client MUST send a Certificate message containing no certificates (i.e., with the "certificate\_list" field having length 0). A Finished message MUST be sent regardless of whether the Certificate message is empty.

#### 4.4.2.3. Client Certificate Selection

The following rules apply to certificates sent by the client:

- The certificate type MUST be X.509v3 [RFC5280], unless explicitly negotiated otherwise (e.g., [RFC7250]).
- If the "certificate\_authorities" extension in the CertificateRequest message was present, at least one of the certificates in the certificate chain SHOULD be issued by one of the listed CAs.
- The certificates MUST be signed using an acceptable signature algorithm, as described in <u>Section 4.3.2</u>. Note that this relaxes the constraints on certificate-signing algorithms found in prior versions of TLS.
- If the CertificateRequest message contained a non-empty "oid\_filters" extension, the end-entity certificate MUST match the extension OIDs that are recognized by the client, as described in Section 4.2.5.

## 4.4.3. Certificate Verify

This message is used to provide explicit proof that an endpoint possesses the private key corresponding to its certificate. The CertificateVerify message also provides integrity for the handshake up to this point. Servers MUST send this message when authenticating via a certificate. Clients MUST send this message whenever authenticating via a certificate (i.e., when the Certificate message is non-empty). When sent, this message MUST appear immediately after the Certificate message and immediately prior to the Finished message.

Structure of this message:

```
struct {
    SignatureScheme algorithm;
    opaque signature<0..2^16-1>;
} CertificateVerify;
```

First decryption algorithm information

The algorithm field specifies the signature algorithm used (see Section 4.2.3 for the definition of this type). The signature is a digital signature using that algorithm. The content that is covered under the signature is the hash output as described in Section 4.4.1, namely:

## 4.3.2. Certificate Request

A server which is authenticating with a certificate MAY optionally request a certificate from the client. This message, if sent, MUST follow EncryptedExtensions.

```
Structure of this message:
```

```
struct {
    opaque certificate_request_context<0..2^8-1>;
    Extension extensions<2..2^16-1>;
} CertificateRequest;
```

certificate\_request\_context: An opaque string which identifies the certificate request and which will be echoed in the client's Certificate message. The certificate\_request\_context MUST be unique within the scope of this connection (thus preventing replay of client CertificateVerify messages). This field SHALL be zero length unless used for the post-handshake authentication exchanges described in <a href="Section 4.6.2">Section 4.6.2</a>. When requesting post-handshake authentication, the server SHOULD make the context unpredictable to the client (e.g., by randomly generating it) in order to prevent an attacker who has temporary access to the client's private key from pre-computing valid CertificateVerify messages.

extensions: A set of extensions describing the parameters of the certificate being requested. The "signature\_algorithms" extension MUST be specified, and other extensions may optionally be included if defined for this message. Clients MUST ignore unrecognized extensions.

- RSASSA-PSS signature schemes are defined in <u>Section 4.2.3</u>.
- The "supported\_versions" ClientHello extension can be used to negotiate the version of TLS to use, in preference to the legacy\_version field of the ClientHello.
- The "signature\_algorithms\_cert" extension allows a client to indicate which signature algorithms it can validate in X.509 certificates.

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If sent by a client, the signature algorithm used in the signature MUST be one of those present in the supported\_signature\_algorithms field of the "signature\_algorithms" extension in the CertificateRequest message.

In addition, the signature algorithm MUST be compatible with the key in the sender's end-entity certificate. RSA signatures MUST use an RSASSA-PSS algorithm, regardless of whether RSASSA-PKCS1-v1\_5 algorithms appear in "signature\_algorithms". The SHA-1 algorithm MUST NOT be used in any signatures of CertificateVerify messages.

# 4.2.3. Signature Algorithms

TLS 1.3 provides two extensions for indicating which signature algorithms may be used in digital signatures. The "signature\_algorithms\_cert" extension applies to signatures in certificates, and the "signature\_algorithms" extension, which originally appeared in TLS 1.2, applies to signatures in CertificateVerify messages. The keys found in certificates MUST also be of appropriate type for the signature algorithms they are used with. This is a particular issue for RSA keys and PSS signatures, as described below. If no "signature algorithms cert" extension is present, then the "signature\_algorithms" extension also applies to signatures appearing in certificates. Clients which desire the server to authenticate itself via a certificate MUST send the "signature\_algorithms" extension. If a server is authenticating via a certificate and the client has not sent a "signature\_algorithms" extension, then the server MUST abort the handshake with a "missing\_extension" alert (see <a href="Section 9.2">Section 9.2</a>).

The "signature\_algorithms\_cert" extension was added to allow implementations which supported different sets of algorithms for certificates and in TLS itself to clearly signal their capabilities. TLS 1.2 implementations SHOULD also process this extension. Implementations which have the same policy in both cases MAY omit the "signature\_algorithms\_cert" extension.

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The "extension_data" field of these extensions contains a
SignatureSchemeList value:
   enum {
       /* RSASSA-PKCS1-v1_5 algorithms */
       rsa_pkcs1_sha256(0x0401),
       rsa_pkcs1_sha384(0x0501),
       rsa_pkcs1_sha512(0x0601),
       /* ECDSA algorithms */
       ecdsa_secp256r1_sha256(0x0403),
       ecdsa_secp384r1_sha384(0x0503),
       ecdsa_secp521r1_sha512(0x0603),
       /* RSASSA-PSS algorithms with public key OID rsaEncryption */
       rsa_pss_rsae_sha256(0x0804),
       rsa_pss_rsae_sha384(0x0805),
       rsa_pss_rsae_sha512(0x0806),
       /* EdDSA algorithms */
       ed25519(0x0807),
       ed448(0x0808),
       /* RSASSA-PSS algorithms with public key OID RSASSA-PSS */
       rsa_pss_pss_sha256(0x0809),
       rsa_pss_pss_sha384(0x080a),
       rsa_pss_pss_sha512(0x080b),
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As shown below, the receiving party will be able to decrypt the encrypted message with the provided signature decryption algorithm information i.e., SHA-256 RSA decryption algorithm.

We are now prepared to show that we can decrypt encrypted messages. We can find a pair of large prime numbers p and q, compute n = pq and  $\varphi(n) = (p-1)(q-1)$ , find d which is relatively prime to  $\varphi(n)$ , and compute the value e for which  $de = 1 \pmod{\varphi(n)}$ . we know that de-1 is divisible by  $\varphi(n)$ , so there is a number k satisfying  $de = 1 + k\varphi(n)$ .

Recall from Section II that (e, n) is the encryption key and (d, n) is the decryption key. If m is a plaintext message, then the ciphertext is

$$c = m^e \mod n$$
.

First encryption

To decrypt, we compute  $c^d \mod n$  to obtain

 $c^d \mod n = (m^e \mod n)^d \mod n = m^{de} \mod n = m^{1+k\varphi(n)} \mod n.$ 

The result of Exercise 3.13 tells us that

 $m \equiv m^{1+k\varphi(n)} \pmod{n},$ 

First decryption

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The solution to the problem is that one never signs an actual message. Rather one signs a value derived from that message. A *cryptographic hash function* is a function that computes a *message authentication code* from a message. The message authentication code is of fixed size, typically 160 of 512 bits long. The function is designed so that it is extremely unlikely that two different messages will correspond

to the same code. You may have seen references to the commonly used hash functions MD5, SHA-1, and SHA-256. Suppose that H is a cryptographic hash function. To sign a message m, party A computes  $h = D_A(H(m))$  and sends  $E_B(m,h)$  to B. Party B now has evidence that A signed m because  $E_A(h) = H(m)$ , and A is the only one who could have generated a value h with that property.

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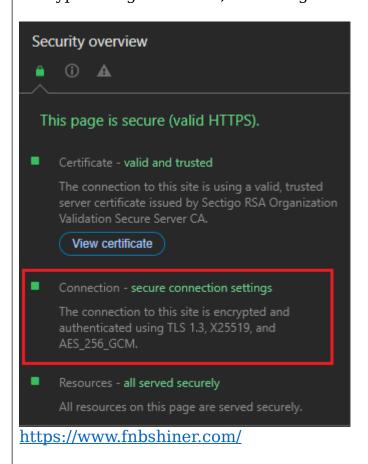
encrypting both the encrypted bit stream and the first decryption algorithm with a second encryption algorithm to yield a second bit stream;

The standard practices encrypting both the encrypted bit stream (e.g., encrypted digital certificate) and the first decryption algorithm (e.g., signature decryption algorithm) with a second encryption algorithm (e.g., cipher suit selected from one of the AEAD algorithms such as TLS\_AES\_256\_GCM\_SHA384, etc.) to yield a second bit stream (e.g., TLS ciphertext bitstream).

The standard practices providing a two-level encryption security for data communication. It encrypts a plaintext with a first encryption technique i.e., signature encryption algorithm (e.g., SHA256RSA algorithm) and generates a ciphertext.

The standard defines an authentication message, communicated after the hello handshake messages, which comprises an encrypted digital certificate with the signature encryption algorithm and an associated certificate verify message with it.

The certificate verify message includes a signature algorithm extension field which provides information for the decryption of the encrypted digital certificate. The standard further practices encrypting the authentication message, including the encrypted digital certification and the certificate verify message, with a second decryption algorithm i.e., AEAD algorithm such as TLS AES 256 GCM SHA384, etc.

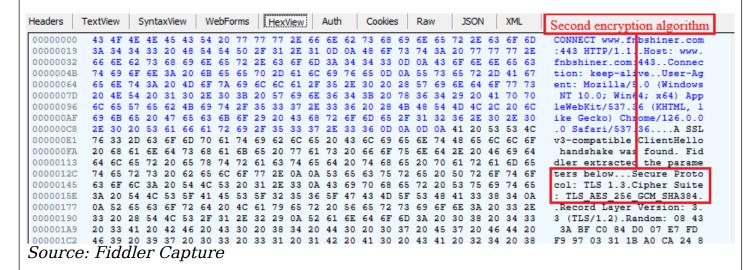


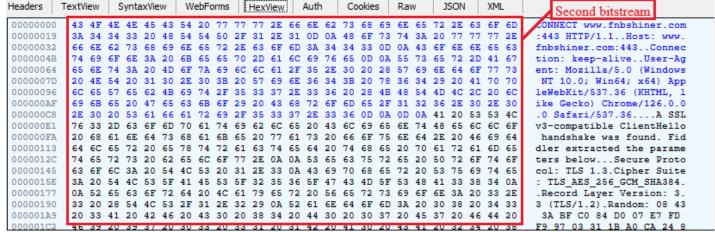
# The Transport Layer Security (TLS) Protocol Version 1.3

#### Abstract

This document specifies version 1.3 of the Transport Layer Security (TLS) protocol. TLS allows client/server applications to communicate over the Internet in a way that is designed to prevent eavesdropping, tampering, and message forgery.

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The standard defines four record message types, including a handshake message type. The handshake messages are communicated to establish a secure channel for TLS communication. A client device and a server negotiate an AEAD algorithm for encrypting TLS record message data. It discloses that after Hello handshake messages i.e., a ClientHello message and a ServerHello message, all handshake messages are encrypted with the negotiated encryption algorithm. One of the handshake messages after hello handshake messages i.e., an authentication message from the client, comprises a digital certificate encrypted by a signature encryption algorithm and a certificate verify message comprising information related to the signature decryption algorithm.

As shown below, the digital certificate is encrypted with the signature encryption algorithm and the certificate verify message, associated with the encrypted digital certificate, has a signature algorithm extension field that provides information related to the signature decryption algorithm. The authentication message is a TLS plaintext handshake message. This message is again encrypted with the negotiated AEAD encryption algorithm, e.g., recursive security protocol. The AEAD encrypted message

is communicated between the client and the server.

#### Record Protocol

The <u>TLS</u> record protocol takes messages to be transmitted, fragments the data into manageable blocks, protects the records, and transmits the result. Received data is verified, decrypted, reassembled, and then delivered to higher-level clients.

TLS records are typed, which allows multiple higher-level protocols to be multiplexed over the same record layer. This document specifies four content types: handshake, application\_data, alert, and change\_cipher\_spec. The change\_cipher\_spec record is used only for compatibility purposes (see <a href="Appendix D.4">Appendix D.4</a>).

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#### 2. Protocol Overview

Negotiating encryption algorithm

The cryptographic parameters used by the secure channel are produced by the TLS handshake protocol. This sub-protocol of TLS is used by the client and server when first communicating with each other. The handshake protocol allows peers to negotiate a protocol version, select cryptographic algorithms, optionally authenticate each other, and establish shared secret keying material. Once the handshake is complete, the peers use the established keys to protect the application-layer traffic.

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TLS consists of two primary components:

- A handshake protocol (<u>Section 4</u>) that authenticates the communicating parties, negotiates cryptographic modes and parameters, and establishes shared keying material. The handshake protocol is designed to resist tampering, an active attacker should not be able to force the peers to negotiate different parameters than they would if the connection were not under attack.

  Negotiating encryption algos
- A record protocol (<u>Section 5</u>) that uses the parameters established by the handshake protocol to protect traffic between the communicating peers. The record protocol divides traffic up into a series of records, each of which is independently protected using the traffic keys.

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## <u>5.1</u>. Record Layer

The record layer fragments information blocks into TLSPlaintext records carrying data in chunks of 2^14 bytes or less. Message boundaries are handled differently depending on the underlying ContentType. Any future content types MUST specify appropriate rules. Note that these rules are stricter than what was enforced in TLS 1.2.

Handshake messages MAY be coalesced into a single TLSPlaintext record or fragmented across several records, provided that:

- Handshake messages MUST NOT be interleaved with other record types. That is, if a handshake message is split over two or more records, there MUST NOT be any other records between them.

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#### 5.2. Record Payload Protection

The record protection functions translate a TLSPlaintext structure into a TLSCiphertext structure. The deprotection functions reverse the process. In TLS 1.3, as opposed to previous versions of TLS, all ciphers are modeled as "Authenticated Encryption with Associated Data" (AEAD) [RFC5116]. AEAD functions provide a unified encryption and authentication operation which turns plaintext into authenticated ciphertext and back again. Each encrypted record consists of a plaintext header followed by an encrypted body, which itself contains a type and optional padding.

AEAD algorithms take as input a single key, a nonce, a plaintext, and "additional data" to be included in the authentication check, as described in <a href="Section 2.1 of [RFC5116">Section 2.1 of [RFC5116]</a>. The key is either the client\_write\_key or the server\_write\_key, the nonce is derived from the sequence number and the client\_write\_iv or server\_write\_iv (see <a href="Section 5.3">Section 5.3</a>), and the additional data input is the record header.

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The AEAD approach enables applications that need cryptographic security services to more easily adopt those services. It benefits the application designer by allowing them to focus on important issues such as security services, canonicalization, and data marshaling, and relieving them of the need to design crypto mechanisms that meet their security goals. Importantly, the security of an AEAD algorithm can be analyzed independent from its use in a particular application. This property frees the user of the AEAD of the need to consider security aspects such as the relative order of authentication and encryption and the security of the particular combination of cipher and MAC, such as the potential loss of

confidentiality through the MAC. The application designer that uses the AEAD interface need not select a particular AEAD algorithm during the design stage. Additionally, the interface to the AEAD is relatively simple, since it requires only a single key as input and requires only a single identifier to indicate the algorithm in use in a particular case.

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#### **2.1**. Authenticated Encryption

The <u>authenticated encryption operation has four inputs</u>, each of which is an octet string:

A <u>secret key K</u>, which MUST be generated in a way that is uniformly random or pseudorandom.

A nonce N. Each nonce provided to distinct invocations of the Authenticated Encryption operation MUST be distinct, for any particular value of the key, unless each and every nonce is zero-length. Applications that can generate distinct nonces SHOULD use the nonce formation method defined in <a href="Section 3.2">Section 3.2</a>, and MAY use any other method that meets the uniqueness requirement. Other applications SHOULD use zero-length nonces.

A plaintext P, which contains the data to be encrypted and authenticated.

The associated data A, which contains the data to be authenticated, but not encrypted.

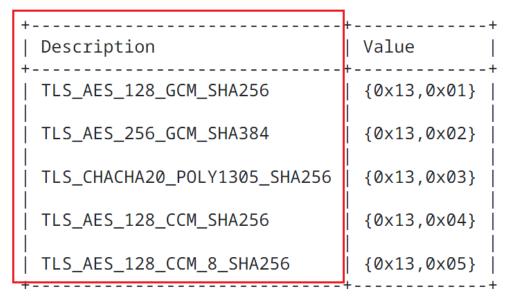
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The AEAD output consists of the ciphertext output from the AEAD encryption operation. The length of the plaintext is greater than the corresponding TLSPlaintext.length due to the inclusion of TLSInnerPlaintext.type and any padding supplied by the sender. The length of the AEAD output will generally be larger than the plaintext, but by an amount that varies with the AEAD algorithm.

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Each AEAD algorithm will specify a range of possible lengths for the per-record nonce, from N\_MIN bytes to N\_MAX bytes of input [RFC5116]. The length of the TLS per-record nonce (iv\_length) is set to the larger of 8 bytes and N\_MIN for the AEAD algorithm (see [RFC5116], Section 4). An AEAD algorithm where N\_MAX is less than 8 bytes MUST NOT be used with TLS. The per-record nonce for the AEAD construction is formed as follows: https://datatracker.ietf.org/doc/html/rfc8446#section-1

This specification defines the following cipher suites for use with TLS 1.3.



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All handshake messages after the ServerHello are now encrypted. The newly introduced EncryptedExtensions message allows various extensions previously sent in the clear in the ServerHello to also enjoy confidentiality protection.

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### **4.4.** Authentication Messages

As discussed in <u>Section 2</u>, TLS generally uses a common set of messages for authentication, key confirmation, and handshake integrity: Certificate, CertificateVerify, and Finished. (The PSK binders also perform key confirmation, in a similar fashion.) These three messages are always sent as the last messages in their handshake flight. The Certificate and CertificateVerify messages are only sent under certain circumstances, as defined below. The Finished message is always sent as part of the Authentication Block. These messages are encrypted under keys derived from the [sender]\_handshake\_traffic\_secret.

```
Figure 1 below shows the basic full TLS handshake:
        Client
                                                           Server
 Key ^ ClientHello
 Exch | + key_share*
        + signature_algorithms*
        + psk_key_exchange_modes*
      v + pre_shared_key*
                                                     ServerHello ^ Key
                                                    + key_share*
                                                                  | Exch
                                               + pre_shared_key*
                                           {EncryptedExtensions}
                                                                  ^ Server
                                           {CertificateRequest*}
                                                                  v Params
                                                  {Certificate*}
                                            {CertificateVerify*}
                                                                    Auth
    Digital Content
                                                      {Finished}
                                             [Application Data*]
      ^ {Certificate*}
 Auth | {CertificateVerify*}
      v {Finished}
         [Application Data]
                                 <----> [Application Data]
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# 4.1.1. Cryptographic Negotiation

In TLS, the cryptographic negotiation proceeds by the client offering the following four sets of options in its ClientHello:

- A list of cipher suites which indicates the AEAD algorithm/HKDF hash pairs which the client supports.

A "supported\_groups" (<u>Section 4.2.7</u>) extension which indicates the (EC)DHE groups which the client supports and a "key\_share" (<u>Section 4.2.8</u>) extension which contains (EC)DHE shares for some or all of these groups.

- A "signature\_algorithms" (<u>Section 4.2.3</u>) extension which indicates the signature algorithms which the client can accept. A "signature\_algorithms\_cert" extension (<u>Section 4.2.3</u>) may also be added to indicate certificate-specific signature algorithms.
  - A "pre\_shared\_key" (<u>Section 4.2.11</u>) extension which contains a list of symmetric key identities known to the client and a "psk\_key\_exchange\_modes" (<u>Section 4.2.9</u>) extension which indicates the key exchange modes that may be used with PSKs.

### 4.4.2. Certificate

This message conveys the endpoint's certificate chain to the peer.

The server MUST send a Certificate message whenever the agreed-upon key exchange method uses certificates for authentication (this includes all key exchange methods defined in this document except PSK).

The client MUST send a Certificate message if and only if the server has requested client authentication via a CertificateRequest message (Section 4.3.2). If the server requests client authentication but no suitable certificate is available, the client MUST send a Certificate message containing no certificates (i.e., with the "certificate\_list" field having length 0). A Finished message MUST be sent regardless of whether the Certificate message is empty.

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The following rules apply to certificates sent by the client:

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- If the "certificate\_authorities" extension in the CertificateRequest message was present, at least one of the certificates in the certificate chain SHOULD be issued by one of the listed CAs.
- The certificates MUST be signed using an acceptable signature algorithm, as described in <u>Section 4.3.2</u>. Note that this relaxes the constraints on certificate-signing algorithms found in prior versions of TLS.
- If the CertificateRequest message contained a non-empty "oid\_filters" extension, the end-entity certificate MUST match the extension OIDs that are recognized by the client, as described in Section 4.2.5.

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This message is used to provide explicit proof that an endpoint possesses the private key corresponding to its certificate. The CertificateVerify message also provides integrity for the handshake up to this point. Servers MUST send this message when authenticating via a certificate. Clients MUST send this message whenever authenticating via a certificate (i.e., when the Certificate message is non-empty). When sent, this message MUST appear immediately after the Certificate message and immediately prior to the Finished message.

Structure of this message:

```
struct {
    SignatureScheme algorithm;
    opaque signature<0..2^16-1>;
} CertificateVerify;
```

First decryption algorithm information

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A server which is authenticating with a certificate MAY optionally request a certificate from the client. This message, if sent, MUST follow EncryptedExtensions.

```
Structure of this message:
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struct {
    opaque certificate_request_context<0..2^8-1>;
    Extension extensions<2..2^16-1>;
} CertificateRequest;
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certificate\_request\_context: An opaque string which identifies the certificate request and which will be echoed in the client's Certificate message. The certificate\_request\_context MUST be unique within the scope of this connection (thus preventing replay of client CertificateVerify messages). This field SHALL be zero length unless used for the post-handshake authentication exchanges described in <a href="Section 4.6.2">Section 4.6.2</a>. When requesting post-handshake authentication, the server SHOULD make the context unpredictable to the client (e.g., by randomly generating it) in order to prevent an attacker who has temporary access to the client's private key from pre-computing valid CertificateVerify messages.

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If sent by a client, the signature algorithm used in the signature MUST be one of those present in the supported\_signature\_algorithms field of the "signature\_algorithms" extension in the CertificateRequest message.

In addition, the signature algorithm MUST be compatible with the key in the sender's end-entity certificate. RSA signatures MUST use an RSASSA-PSS algorithm, regardless of whether RSASSA-PKCS1-v1\_5 algorithms appear in "signature\_algorithms". The SHA-1 algorithm MUST NOT be used in any signatures of CertificateVerify messages.

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TLS 1.3 provides two extensions for indicating which signature algorithms may be used in digital signatures. The "signature\_algorithms\_cert" extension applies to signatures in certificates, and the "signature\_algorithms" extension, which originally appeared in TLS 1.2, applies to signatures in CertificateVerify messages. The keys found in certificates MUST also be of appropriate type for the signature algorithms they are used with. This is a particular issue for RSA keys and PSS signatures, as described below. If no "signature algorithms cert" extension is present, then the "signature\_algorithms" extension also applies to signatures appearing in certificates. Clients which desire the server to authenticate itself via a certificate MUST send the "signature\_algorithms" extension. If a server is authenticating via a certificate and the client has not sent a "signature\_algorithms" extension, then the server MUST abort the handshake with a "missing\_extension" alert (see <a href="Section 9.2">Section 9.2</a>).

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       rsa_pkcs1_sha384(0x0501),
       rsa_pkcs1_sha512(0x0601),
       /* ECDSA algorithms */
       ecdsa_secp256r1_sha256(0x0403),
       ecdsa_secp384r1_sha384(0x0503),
       ecdsa_secp521r1_sha512(0x0603),
       /* RSASSA-PSS algorithms with public key OID rsaEncryption */
       rsa_pss_rsae_sha256(0x0804),
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       rsa_pss_rsae_sha512(0x0806),
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       ed25519(0x0807),
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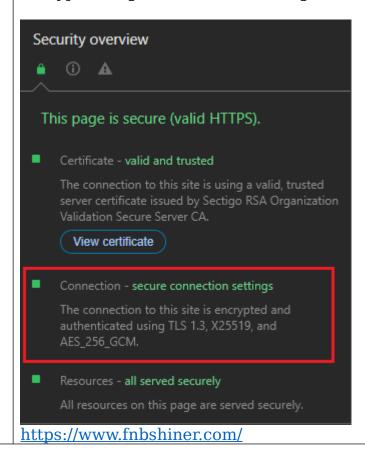
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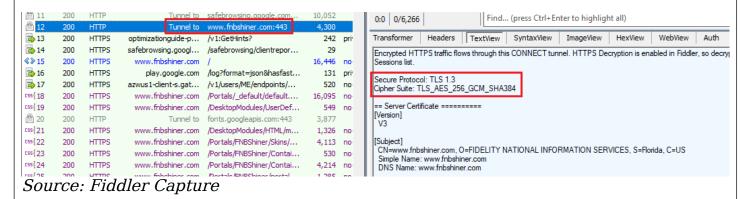


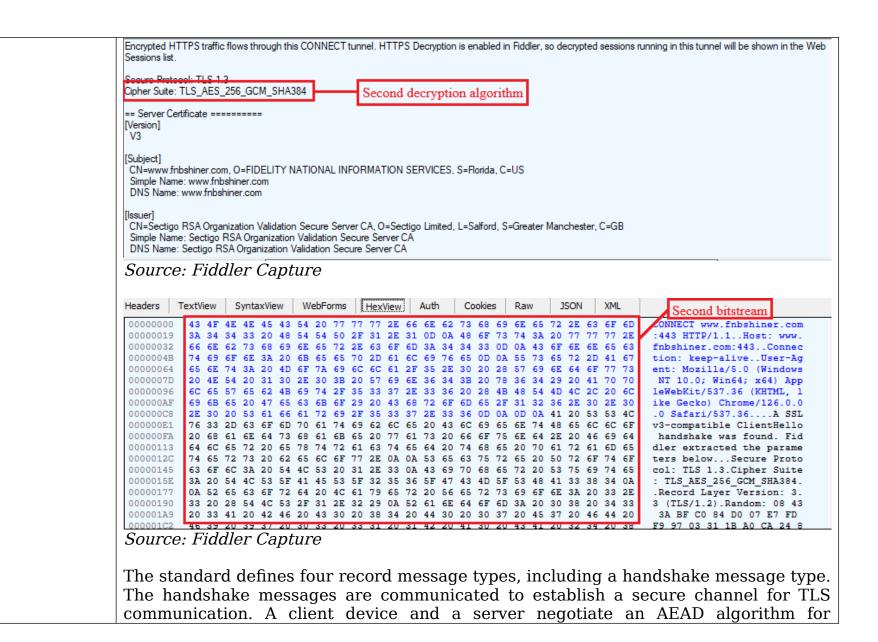
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The AEAD output consists of the ciphertext output from the AEAD encryption operation. The length of the plaintext is greater than the corresponding TLSPlaintext.length due to the inclusion of TLSInnerPlaintext.type and any padding supplied by the sender. The length of the AEAD output will generally be larger than the plaintext, but by an amount that varies with the AEAD algorithm.

Each AEAD algorithm will specify a range of possible lengths for the per-record nonce, from N\_MIN bytes to N\_MAX bytes of input [RFC5116]. The length of the TLS per-record nonce (iv\_length) is set to the larger of 8 bytes and N\_MIN for the AEAD algorithm (see [RFC5116], Section 4). An AEAD algorithm where N\_MAX is less than 8 bytes MUST NOT be used with TLS. The per-record nonce for the AEAD construction is formed as follows: https://datatracker.ietf.org/doc/html/rfc8446#section-1

This specification defines the following cipher suites for use with TLS 1.3.

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Description	Value
TLS_AES_128_GCM_SHA256	{0x13,0x01}
   TLS_AES_256_GCM_SHA384	
   TLS_CHACHA20_POLY1305_SHA256	   {0x13,0x03}
   TLS_AES_128_CCM_SHA256	   {0x13,0x04}
   TLS_AES_128_CCM_8_SHA256	   {0x13,0x05}

All handshake messages after the ServerHello are now encrypted. The newly introduced EncryptedExtensions message allows various extensions previously sent in the clear in the ServerHello to also enjoy confidentiality protection.

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# <u>4.4</u>. Authentication Messages

As discussed in <u>Section 2</u>, TLS generally uses a common set of messages for authentication, key confirmation, and handshake integrity: Certificate, CertificateVerify, and Finished. (The PSK binders also perform key confirmation, in a similar fashion.) These three messages are always sent as the last messages in their handshake flight. The Certificate and CertificateVerify messages are only sent under certain circumstances, as defined below. The Finished message is always sent as part of the Authentication Block. These messages are encrypted under keys derived from the [sender]\_handshake\_traffic\_secret.

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Figure 1 below shows the basic full TLS handshake:
        Client
                                                           Server
 Key ^ ClientHello
 Exch | + key_share*
        + signature_algorithms*
        + psk_key_exchange_modes*
      v + pre_shared_key*
                                                     ServerHello ^ Key
                                                    + key_share*
                                                                  | Exch
                                               + pre_shared_key*
                                           {EncryptedExtensions}
                                                                  ^ Server
                                           {CertificateRequest*}
                                                                  v Params
                                                  {Certificate*}
                                            {CertificateVerify*}
                                                                    Auth
    Digital Content
                                                      {Finished}
                                             [Application Data*]
      ^ {Certificate*}
 Auth | {CertificateVerify*}
      v {Finished}
         [Application Data]
                                 <----> [Application Data]
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# 4.4.2. Certificate

This message conveys the endpoint's certificate chain to the peer.

The server MUST send a Certificate message whenever the agreed-upon key exchange method uses certificates for authentication (this includes all key exchange methods defined in this document except PSK).

The client MUST send a Certificate message if and only if the server has requested client authentication via a CertificateRequest message (Section 4.3.2). If the server requests client authentication but no suitable certificate is available, the client MUST send a Certificate message containing no certificates (i.e., with the "certificate\_list" field having length 0). A Finished message MUST be sent regardless of whether the Certificate message is empty.

## 4.4.2.3. Client Certificate Selection

The following rules apply to certificates sent by the client:

- The certificate type MUST be X.509v3 [RFC5280], unless explicitly negotiated otherwise (e.g., [RFC7250]).
- If the "certificate\_authorities" extension in the CertificateRequest message was present, at least one of the certificates in the certificate chain SHOULD be issued by one of the listed CAs.
- The certificates MUST be signed using an acceptable signature algorithm, as described in <u>Section 4.3.2</u>. Note that this relaxes the constraints on certificate-signing algorithms found in prior versions of TLS.
- If the CertificateRequest message contained a non-empty "oid\_filters" extension, the end-entity certificate MUST match the extension OIDs that are recognized by the client, as described in Section 4.2.5.

## 4.4.3. Certificate Verify

This message is used to provide explicit proof that an endpoint possesses the private key corresponding to its certificate. The CertificateVerify message also provides integrity for the handshake up to this point. Servers MUST send this message when authenticating via a certificate. Clients MUST send this message whenever authenticating via a certificate (i.e., when the Certificate message is non-empty). When sent, this message MUST appear immediately after the Certificate message and immediately prior to the Finished message.

Structure of this message:

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struct {
    SignatureScheme algorithm;
    opaque signature<0..2^16-1>;
} CertificateVerify;
```

The algorithm field specifies the signature algorithm used (see Section 4.2.3 for the definition of this type). The signature is a digital signature using that algorithm. The content that is covered under the signature is the hash output as described in Section 4.4.1, namely:

# 4.3.2. Certificate Request

A server which is authenticating with a certificate MAY optionally request a certificate from the client. This message, if sent, MUST follow EncryptedExtensions.

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struct {
    opaque certificate_request_context<0..2^8-1>;
    Extension extensions<2..2^16-1>;
} CertificateRequest;
```

certificate\_request\_context: An opaque string which identifies the certificate request and which will be echoed in the client's Certificate message. The certificate\_request\_context MUST be unique within the scope of this connection (thus preventing replay of client CertificateVerify messages). This field SHALL be zero length unless used for the post-handshake authentication exchanges described in <a href="Section 4.6.2">Section 4.6.2</a>. When requesting post-handshake authentication, the server SHOULD make the context unpredictable to the client (e.g., by randomly generating it) in order to prevent an attacker who has temporary access to the client's private key from pre-computing valid CertificateVerify messages.

extensions: A set of extensions describing the parameters of the certificate being requested. The "signature\_algorithms" extension MUST be specified, and other extensions may optionally be included if defined for this message. Clients MUST ignore unrecognized extensions.

- RSASSA-PSS signature schemes are defined in <u>Section 4.2.3</u>.
- The "supported\_versions" ClientHello extension can be used to negotiate the version of TLS to use, in preference to the legacy\_version field of the ClientHello.
- The "signature\_algorithms\_cert" extension allows a client to indicate which signature algorithms it can validate in X.509 certificates.

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If sent by a client, the signature algorithm used in the signature MUST be one of those present in the supported\_signature\_algorithms field of the "signature\_algorithms" extension in the CertificateRequest message.

In addition, the signature algorithm MUST be compatible with the key in the sender's end-entity certificate. RSA signatures MUST use an RSASSA-PSS algorithm, regardless of whether RSASSA-PKCS1-v1\_5 algorithms appear in "signature\_algorithms". The SHA-1 algorithm MUST NOT be used in any signatures of CertificateVerify messages.

# 4.2.3. Signature Algorithms

TLS 1.3 provides two extensions for indicating which signature algorithms may be used in digital signatures. The "signature\_algorithms\_cert" extension applies to signatures in certificates, and the "signature\_algorithms" extension, which originally appeared in TLS 1.2, applies to signatures in CertificateVerify messages. The keys found in certificates MUST also be of appropriate type for the signature algorithms they are used with. This is a particular issue for RSA keys and PSS signatures, as described below. If no "signature algorithms cert" extension is present, then the "signature\_algorithms" extension also applies to signatures appearing in certificates. Clients which desire the server to authenticate itself via a certificate MUST send the "signature\_algorithms" extension. If a server is authenticating via a certificate and the client has not sent a "signature\_algorithms" extension, then the server MUST abort the handshake with a "missing\_extension" alert (see <a href="Section 9.2">Section 9.2</a>).

The "signature\_algorithms\_cert" extension was added to allow implementations which supported different sets of algorithms for certificates and in TLS itself to clearly signal their capabilities. TLS 1.2 implementations SHOULD also process this extension. Implementations which have the same policy in both cases MAY omit the "signature\_algorithms\_cert" extension.

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The "extension_data" field of these extensions contains a
SignatureSchemeList value:
   enum {
       /* RSASSA-PKCS1-v1_5 algorithms */
       rsa_pkcs1_sha256(0x0401),
       rsa_pkcs1_sha384(0x0501),
       rsa_pkcs1_sha512(0x0601),
       /* ECDSA algorithms */
       ecdsa_secp256r1_sha256(0x0403),
       ecdsa_secp384r1_sha384(0x0503),
       ecdsa_secp521r1_sha512(0x0603),
       /* RSASSA-PSS algorithms with public key OID rsaEncryption */
       rsa pss rsae sha256(0x0804),
       rsa_pss_rsae_sha384(0x0805),
       rsa pss rsae sha512(0x0806),
       /* EdDSA algorithms */
       ed25519(0x0807),
       ed448(0x0808),
       /* RSASSA-PSS algorithms with public key OID RSASSA-PSS */
       rsa_pss_pss_sha256(0x0809),
       rsa_pss_pss_sha384(0x080a),
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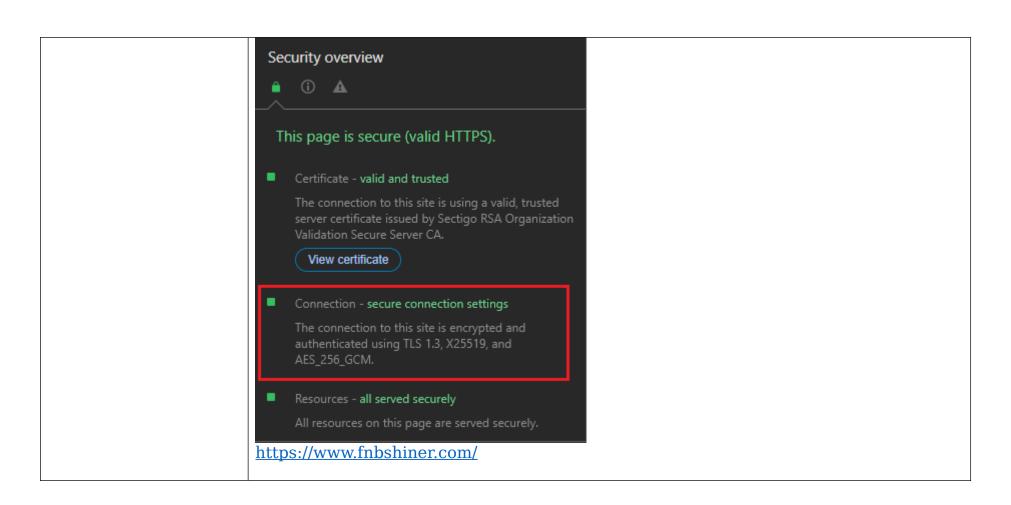
38. The computer system or program of claim 37,

software The standard further discloses decrypting the first bit stream (e.g., encrypted digital certificate with signature encryption algorithm i.e., SHA-256 RSA, etc.) and the second bit stream (e.g., a second-level encryption with AEAD encryption algorithm further translatable for such as TLS AES 256 GCM SHA384, etc.) with the first associated decryption decrypting the first bit stream and the second bit stream with the first associated decryption algorithm and the second associated decryption algorithm wherein the decryption is accomplished by a target unit.

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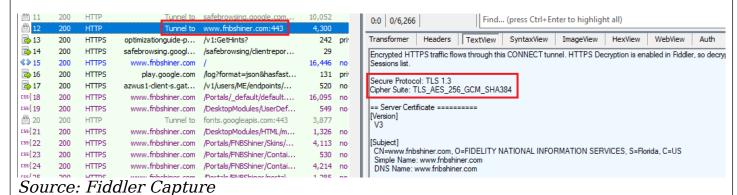
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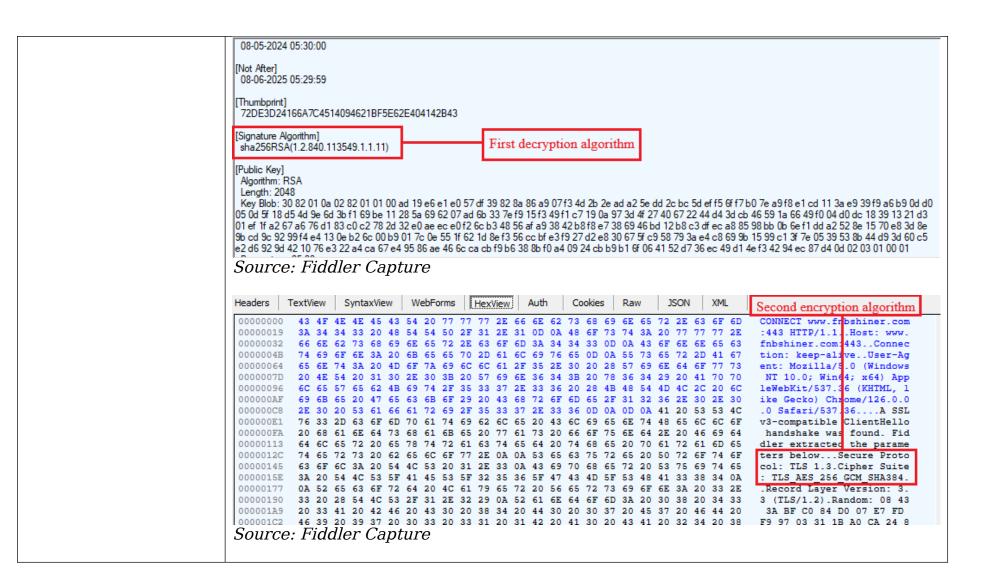
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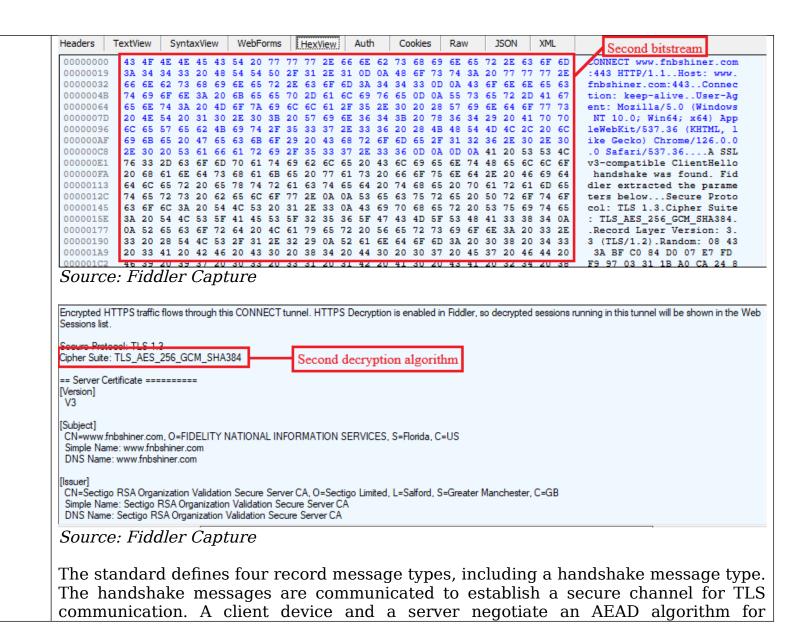
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h2. http/1.1
                                                         Digital certificate
         SignedCertTimestamp (RFC6962)
                           00 00 01 00 01 41 00 20 37 BE 5F 41 5F CD 6E 80 5D 7E 51 F8 A8 8F 06 10 42 9B A4 DD A0 BB 92 EC 51 1F 50 31 01 75 AF 42 00 90 4F
01 CA B8 6E DE E8 F0 49 C6 25 16 0B C4 DC CD 5A A5 C8 73 D6 8A D2 D7 C0 EE 18 52 FA FC B9 B5 9B 91 59 81 DD 60 04 CD 0D E0 5A 1F EF 6F B3 22 6F 5F F0 7C
36 98 AF DE 1B BE F8 80 68 57 30 64 F1 89 0E 45 3C B2 06 E3 F0 C1 05 04 C0 76 71 A1 AD B3 AC 8B C0 1E 65 35 BE 86 B9 3C E7 E2 9B 8E 24 DA C8 04 DC 03 D0
AC 31 D2 D2 6C 56 69 43 AF 1B FA F5 3A 68 AA 95 9C 77 FE B9 84 21 05 E8 B6 B1 54 70 FD A7 BE 0A 6F 33 94 CC 68 69 C7 D7 C5
                           ecdsa_secp256r1_sha256, rsa_pss_rsae_sha256, rsa_pkcs1_sha256, ecdsa_secp384r1_sha384, rsa_pss_rsae_sha384, rsa_pkcs1
 sha384, rsa pss rsae sha512, rea pkcs1 sha512
                          OCSP - Implicit Respons
         status request
                                                        First encryption algorithm
         0x4469
                           00 03 02 68 32
         Session Ticket
                          empty
         extended_master_secret
         psk_key_exchange_modes 01 01
                          www.fnbshiner.com
         server name
         renegotiation_info 00
         supported_versions grease [0x8a8a], Tls1.3, Tls1.2
                           02 00 02
         0x001b
key share 04 ED DA DA 00 01 00 63 99 04 C0 71 26 BB 96 2C 0A 54 4E DF 6C C1 0C 7A 90 A9 55 56 65 C5 89 63 DE B5 BD 59 BC BE 78 3E 49 BF
Source: Fiddler Capture
                           h2, http/1.1
         SignedCertTimestamp (RFC6962)
                                            empty
                           00 00 01 00 01 41 00 20 37 BE 5F 41 5F CD 6E B0 5D 7E 51 F8 A8 8F 06 10 42 9B A4 DD A0 BB 92 EC 51 1F 50 31 01 75 AF 42 00 90 4F
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         signature_algs ecdsa_secp256r1_sha256, rsa_pss_rsae_sha256, rsa_pkcs1_sha256, ecdsa_secp384r1_sha384, rsa_pss_rsae_sha384, rsa_pkcs1
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Each AEAD algorithm will specify a range of possible lengths for the per-record nonce, from N\_MIN bytes to N\_MAX bytes of input [RFC5116]. The length of the TLS per-record nonce (iv\_length) is set to the larger of 8 bytes and N\_MIN for the AEAD algorithm (see [RFC5116], Section 4). An AEAD algorithm where N\_MAX is less than 8 bytes MUST NOT be used with TLS. The per-record nonce for the AEAD construction is formed as follows:

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This specification defines the following cipher suites for use with TLS 1.3.

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Description	Value
TLS_AES_128_GCM_SHA256	{0x13,0x01}
TLS_AES_256_GCM_SHA384	{0x13,0x02}
TLS_CHACHA20_POLY1305_SHA256	{0x13,0x03}
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<u>All handshake messages after the ServerHello are now encrypted</u>. The newly introduced EncryptedExtensions message allows various extensions previously sent in the clear in the ServerHello to also enjoy confidentiality protection.

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# <u>4.4</u>. Authentication Messages

As discussed in <u>Section 2</u>, TLS generally uses a common set of messages for authentication, key confirmation, and handshake integrity: Certificate, CertificateVerify, and Finished. (The PSK binders also perform key confirmation, in a similar fashion.) These three messages are always sent as the last messages in their handshake flight. The Certificate and CertificateVerify messages are only sent under certain circumstances, as defined below. The Finished message is always sent as part of the Authentication Block. These messages are encrypted under keys derived from the [sender]\_handshake\_traffic\_secret.

```
Figure 1 below shows the basic full TLS handshake:
        Client
                                                           Server
 Key ^ ClientHello
 Exch | + key_share*
        + signature_algorithms*
        + psk_key_exchange_modes*
      v + pre_shared_key*
                                                     ServerHello ^ Key
                                                    + key_share*
                                                                  | Exch
                                               + pre_shared_key*
                                           {EncryptedExtensions}
                                                                  ^ Server
                                           {CertificateRequest*}
                                                                  v Params
                                                  {Certificate*}
                                            {CertificateVerify*}
                                                                    Auth
    Digital Content
                                                      {Finished}
                                             [Application Data*]
      ^ {Certificate*}
 Auth | {CertificateVerify*}
      v {Finished}
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```

#### 4.4.2. Certificate

This message conveys the endpoint's certificate chain to the peer.

The server MUST send a Certificate message whenever the agreed-upon key exchange method uses certificates for authentication (this includes all key exchange methods defined in this document except PSK).

The client MUST send a Certificate message if and only if the server has requested client authentication via a CertificateRequest message (Section 4.3.2). If the server requests client authentication but no suitable certificate is available, the client MUST send a Certificate message containing no certificates (i.e., with the "certificate\_list" field having length 0). A Finished message MUST be sent regardless of whether the Certificate message is empty.

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#### 4.4.2.3. Client Certificate Selection

The following rules apply to certificates sent by the client:

- The certificate type MUST be X.509v3 [RFC5280], unless explicitly negotiated otherwise (e.g., [RFC7250]).
- If the "certificate\_authorities" extension in the CertificateRequest message was present, at least one of the certificates in the certificate chain SHOULD be issued by one of the listed CAs.
- The certificates MUST be signed using an acceptable signature algorithm, as described in <u>Section 4.3.2</u>. Note that this relaxes the constraints on certificate-signing algorithms found in prior versions of TLS.
- If the CertificateRequest message contained a non-empty "oid\_filters" extension, the end-entity certificate MUST match the extension OIDs that are recognized by the client, as described in Section 4.2.5.

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#### 4.4.3. Certificate Verify

This message is used to provide explicit proof that an endpoint possesses the private key corresponding to its certificate. The CertificateVerify message also provides integrity for the handshake up to this point. Servers MUST send this message when authenticating via a certificate. Clients MUST send this message whenever authenticating via a certificate (i.e., when the Certificate message is non-empty). When sent, this message MUST appear immediately after the Certificate message and immediately prior to the Finished message.

Structure of this message:

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struct {
    SignatureScheme algorithm;
    opaque signature<0..2^16-1>;
} CertificateVerify;
```

The algorithm field specifies the signature algorithm used (see Section 4.2.3 for the definition of this type). The signature is a digital signature using that algorithm. The content that is covered under the signature is the hash output as described in Section 4.4.1, namely:

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### 4.3.2. Certificate Request

A server which is authenticating with a certificate MAY optionally request a certificate from the client. This message, if sent, MUST follow EncryptedExtensions.

```
Structure of this message:
```

```
struct {
    opaque certificate_request_context<0..2^8-1>;
    Extension extensions<2..2^16-1>;
} CertificateRequest;
```

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certificate\_request\_context: An opaque string which identifies the certificate request and which will be echoed in the client's Certificate message. The certificate\_request\_context MUST be unique within the scope of this connection (thus preventing replay of client CertificateVerify messages). This field SHALL be zero length unless used for the post-handshake authentication exchanges described in <a href="Section 4.6.2">Section 4.6.2</a>. When requesting post-handshake authentication, the server SHOULD make the context unpredictable to the client (e.g., by randomly generating it) in order to prevent an attacker who has temporary access to the client's private key from pre-computing valid CertificateVerify messages.

extensions: A set of extensions describing the parameters of the certificate being requested. The "signature\_algorithms" extension MUST be specified, and other extensions may optionally be included if defined for this message. Clients MUST ignore unrecognized extensions.

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- RSASSA-PSS signature schemes are defined in <u>Section 4.2.3</u>.
- The "supported\_versions" ClientHello extension can be used to negotiate the version of TLS to use, in preference to the legacy\_version field of the ClientHello.
- The "signature\_algorithms\_cert" extension allows a client to indicate which signature algorithms it can validate in X.509 certificates.

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If sent by a client, the signature algorithm used in the signature MUST be one of those present in the supported\_signature\_algorithms field of the "signature\_algorithms" extension in the CertificateRequest message.

In addition, the signature algorithm MUST be compatible with the key in the sender's end-entity certificate. RSA signatures MUST use an RSASSA-PSS algorithm, regardless of whether RSASSA-PKCS1-v1\_5 algorithms appear in "signature\_algorithms". The SHA-1 algorithm MUST NOT be used in any signatures of CertificateVerify messages.

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### 4.2.3. Signature Algorithms

TLS 1.3 provides two extensions for indicating which signature algorithms may be used in digital signatures. The "signature\_algorithms\_cert" extension applies to signatures in certificates, and the "signature\_algorithms" extension, which originally appeared in TLS 1.2, applies to signatures in CertificateVerify messages. The keys found in certificates MUST also be of appropriate type for the signature algorithms they are used with. This is a particular issue for RSA keys and PSS signatures, as described below. If no "signature algorithms cert" extension is present, then the "signature\_algorithms" extension also applies to signatures appearing in certificates. Clients which desire the server to authenticate itself via a certificate MUST send the "signature\_algorithms" extension. If a server is authenticating via a certificate and the client has not sent a "signature\_algorithms" extension, then the server MUST abort the handshake with a "missing\_extension" alert (see <a>Section 9.2</a>).

The "signature\_algorithms\_cert" extension was added to allow implementations which supported different sets of algorithms for certificates and in TLS itself to clearly signal their capabilities. TLS 1.2 implementations SHOULD also process this extension. Implementations which have the same policy in both cases MAY omit the "signature\_algorithms\_cert" extension.

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       rsa_pss_rsae_sha384(0x0805),
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       /* EdDSA algorithms */
       ed25519(0x0807),
       ed448(0x0808),
       /* RSASSA-PSS algorithms with public key OID RSASSA-PSS */
       rsa_pss_pss_sha256(0x0809),
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As shown below, the receiving party will be able to decrypt the encrypted message with the provided signature decryption algorithm information i.e., SHA-256 RSA decryption algorithm.

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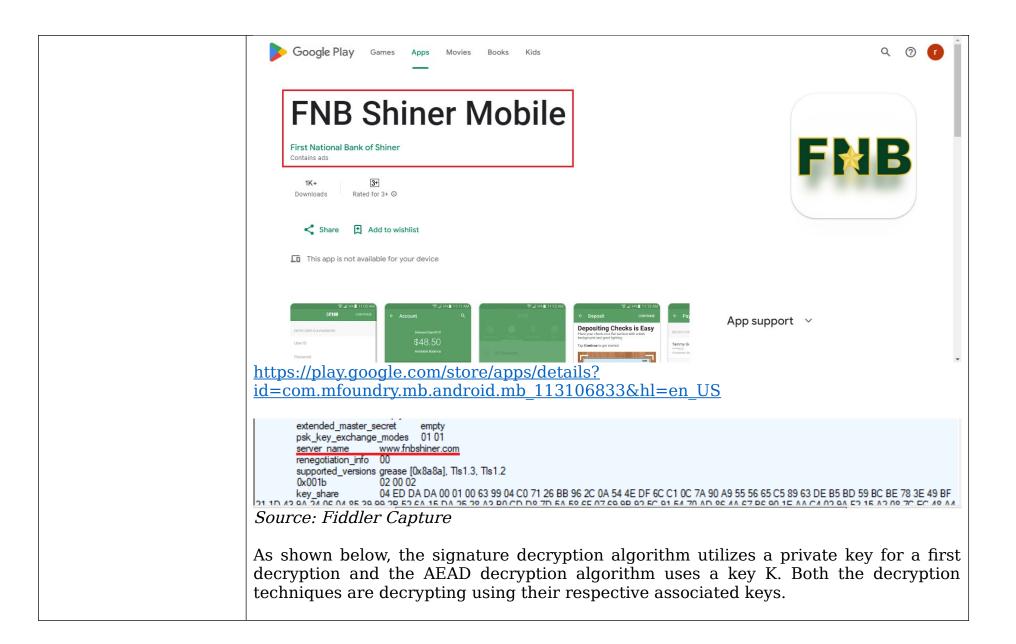
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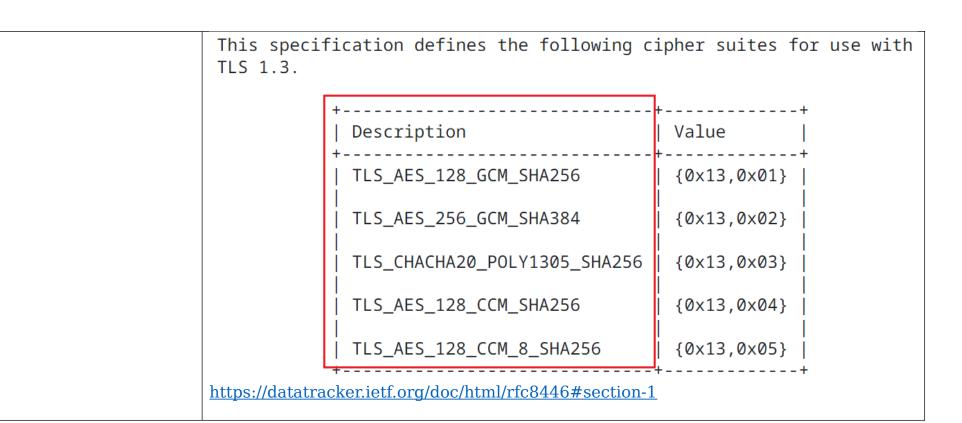
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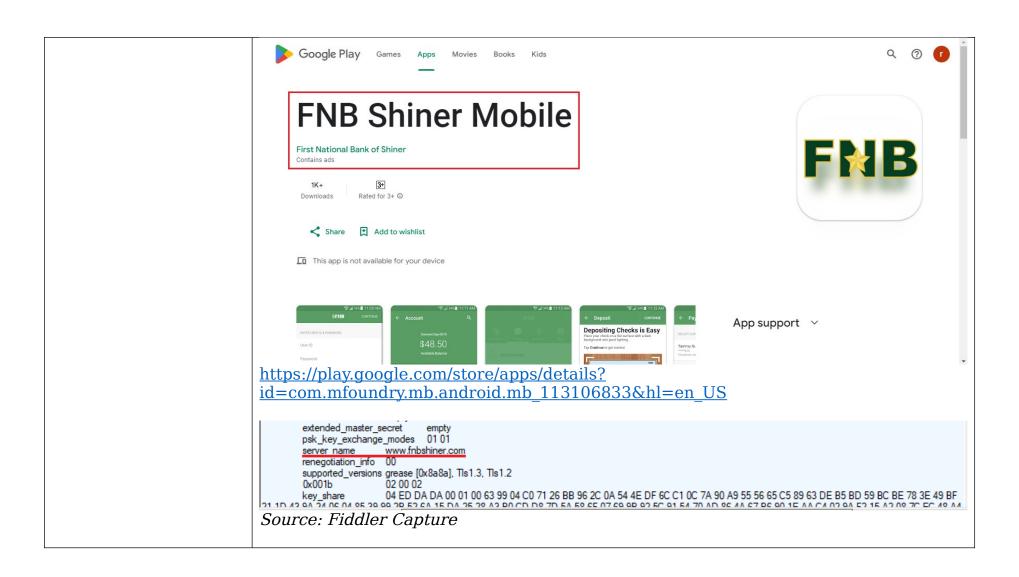
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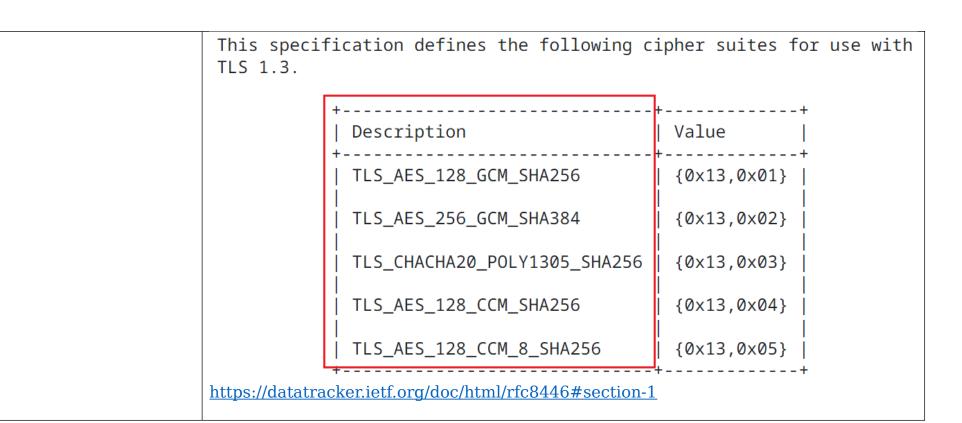
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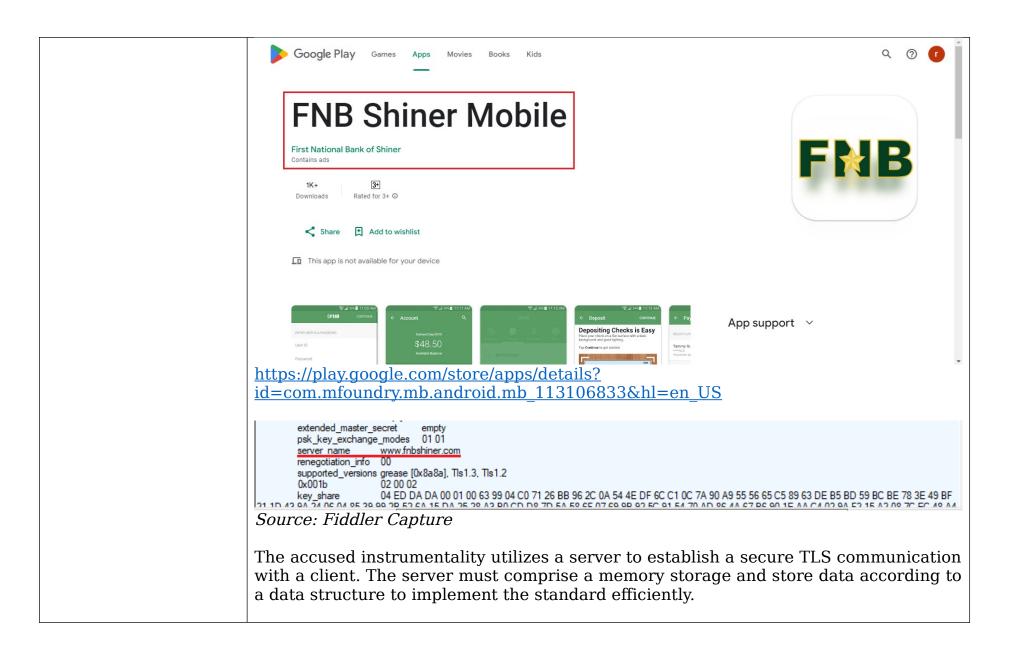
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A data structure is a specialized format for organizing, processing, retrieving and storing data. There are several basic and advanced types of data structures, all designed to arrange data to suit a specific purpose. Data structures make it easy for users to access and work with the data they need in appropriate ways. Most importantly, data structures frame the organization of information so that machines and humans can better understand it.

In computer science and computer programming, a data structure may be selected or designed to store data for the purpose of using it with various <u>algorithms</u>. In some cases, the algorithm's basic operations are tightly coupled to the data structure's design. Each data structure contains information about the data values, relationships between the data and -- in some cases -- functions that can be applied to the data.

https://www.techtarget.com/searchdatamanagement/definition/data-structure

As shown below, the server comprises a memory storage to store messages for establishing secure TLS communication. the standard discloses multiple signature encryption algorithms for a first encryption and multiple AEAD encryption algorithms for the second encryption. A signature decryption algorithm utilizes a private key for decrypting the first bitstream encrypted with the signature encryption and an AEAD decryption algorithm uses a key K for decrypting the second bitstream encrypted with the AEAD encryption. Both the decryption techniques are decrypting using their respective associated keys. A server must have a storage to store information pertaining to these algorithms and their corresponding keys such as private key, Key K, etc., to establish secure TLS communication with a client.

Because the ClientHello indicates the time at which the client sent it, it is possible to efficiently determine whether a ClientHello was likely sent reasonably recently and only accept 0-RTT for such a ClientHello, otherwise falling back to a 1-RTT handshake. This is necessary for the ClientHello storage mechanism described in Section 8.2 because otherwise the server needs to store an unlimited number of ClientHellos, and is a useful optimization for self-contained single-use tickets because it allows efficient rejection of ClientHellos which cannot be used for 0-RTT.

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       rsa_pkcs1_sha384(0x0501),
       rsa_pkcs1_sha512(0x0601),
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       ecdsa_secp256r1_sha256(0x0403),
       ecdsa_secp384r1_sha384(0x0503),
       ecdsa_secp521r1_sha512(0x0603),
       /* RSASSA-PSS algorithms with public key OID rsaEncryption */
       rsa_pss_rsae_sha256(0x0804),
       rsa_pss_rsae_sha384(0x0805),
       rsa_pss_rsae_sha512(0x0806),
       /* EdDSA algorithms */
       ed25519(0x0807),
       ed448(0x0808),
       /* RSASSA-PSS algorithms with public key OID RSASSA-PSS */
       rsa_pss_pss_sha256(0x0809),
       rsa_pss_pss_sha384(0x080a),
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There is also a decryption function D that takes a ciphertext and a decryption key  $K_D$ , and reproduces the plaintext message.

$$D(C, K_D) = P$$

In a *symmetric* or *private key* system, the encryption and decryption keys are the same. A private key system has the disadvantage that the parties must get together and agree upon a shared key. It has the advantage in that the computational overhead is smaller. Once the key is in place, communication can happen much faster.

In an *asymmetric* or *public key* system, the two keys are different. Each participant has her or his own pair of keys. The encryption keys are known to everyone, but the decryption keys are kept secret. Person *A* can look up person *B*'s encryption key, encrypt a message with it, and send the result to person *B*. Only someone with *B*'s decryption key, namely only *B*, can read the message. An eavesdropper *E* might intercept the encrypted message but would not be able to decipher it. <a href="https://cs.pomona.edu/~dkauchak/classes/s17/cs52-s17/handouts/encryption.pdf">https://cs.pomona.edu/~dkauchak/classes/s17/cs52-s17/handouts/encryption.pdf</a>

We are now prepared to show that we can decrypt encrypted messages. We can find a pair of large prime numbers p and q, compute n = pq and  $\varphi(n) = (p-1)(q-1)$ , find d which is relatively prime to  $\varphi(n)$ , and compute the value e for which  $de = 1 \pmod{\varphi(n)}$ . we know that de-1 is divisible by  $\varphi(n)$ , so there is a number k satisfying  $de = 1 + k\varphi(n)$ .

Recall from Section II that (e, n) is the encryption key and (d, n) is the decryption key. If m is a plaintext message, then the ciphertext is

$$c = m^e \mod n$$
.

First encryption

To decrypt, we compute  $c^d \mod n$  to obtain

 $c^d \mod n = (m^e \mod n)^d \mod n = m^{de} \mod n = m^{1+k\varphi(n)} \mod n.$ 

The result of Exercise 3.13 tells us that

 $m \equiv m^{1+k\varphi(n)} \pmod{n},$ 

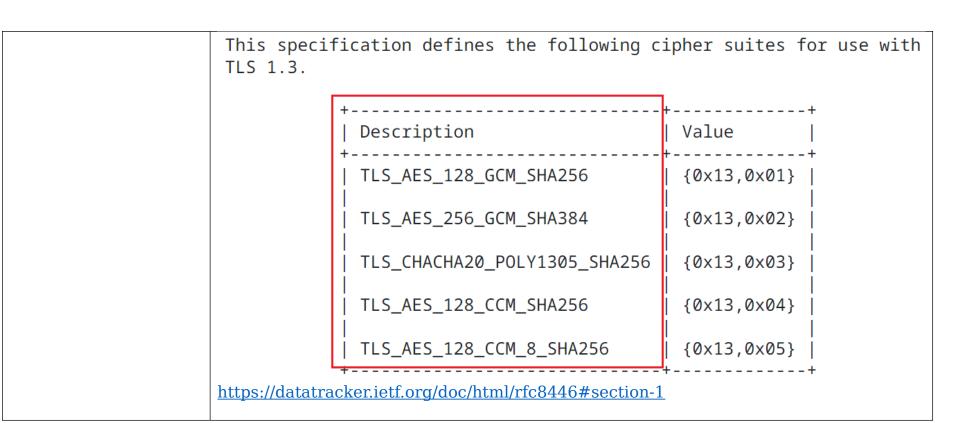
First decryption

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The solution to the problem is that one never signs an actual message. Rather one signs a value derived from that message. A *cryptographic hash function* is a function that computes a *message authentication code* from a message. The message authentication code is of fixed size, typically 160 of 512 bits long. The function is designed so that it is extremely unlikely that two different messages will correspond

to the same code. You may have seen references to the commonly used hash functions MD5, SHA-1, and SHA-256. Suppose that H is a cryptographic hash function. To sign a message m, party A computes  $h = D_A(H(m))$  and sends  $E_B(m,h)$  to B. Party B now has evidence that A signed m because  $E_A(h) = H(m)$ , and A is the only one who could have generated a value h with that property.

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## 2.2. Authenticated Decryption

The authenticated decryption operation has four inputs: K, N, A, and C, as defined above. It has only a single output, either a plaintext value P or a special symbol FAIL that indicates that the inputs are not authentic. A ciphertext C, a nonce N, and associated data A are authentic for key K when C is generated by the encrypt operation with inputs K, N, P, and A, for some values of N, P, and A. The authenticated decrypt operation will, with high probability, return FAIL whenever the inputs N, P, and A were crafted by a noncerespecting adversary that does not know the secret key (assuming that the AEAD algorithm is secure).

https://datatracker.ietf.org/doc/html/rfc5116

The AEAD output consists of the ciphertext output from the AEAD encryption operation. The length of the plaintext is greater than the corresponding TLSPlaintext.length due to the inclusion of TLSInnerPlaintext.type and any padding supplied by the sender. The length of the AEAD output will generally be larger than the plaintext, but by an amount that varies with the AEAD algorithm.

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47. The software system or computer program of claim 39, wherein each encryption algorithm is a symmetric key system or an

software computer claim 39, each each encryption algorithm, etc.) or an asymmetric key system (e.g., signature encryption algorithm, etc.) or an asymmetric key system (e.g., signature encryption algorithm).

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Authentication: The server side of the channel is always authenticated; the client side is optionally authenticated. Authentication can happen via asymmetric cryptography (e.g., RSA [RSA], the Elliptic Curve Digital Signature Algorithm (ECDSA) [ECDSA], or the Edwards-Curve Digital Signature Algorithm (EdDSA) [RFC8032]) or a symmetric pre-shared key (PSK).

https://datatracker.ietf.org/doc/html/rfc8446#section-4

cipher\_suites: A list of the symmetric cipher options supported by the client, specifically the record protection algorithm (including secret key length) and a hash to be used with HKDF, in descending order of client preference. Values are defined in <a href="Appendix B.4">Appendix B.4</a>. If the list contains cipher suites that the server does not recognize, support, or wish to use, the server MUST ignore those cipher suites and process the remaining ones as usual. If the client is attempting a PSK key establishment, it SHOULD advertise at least one cipher suite indicating a Hash associated with the PSK.

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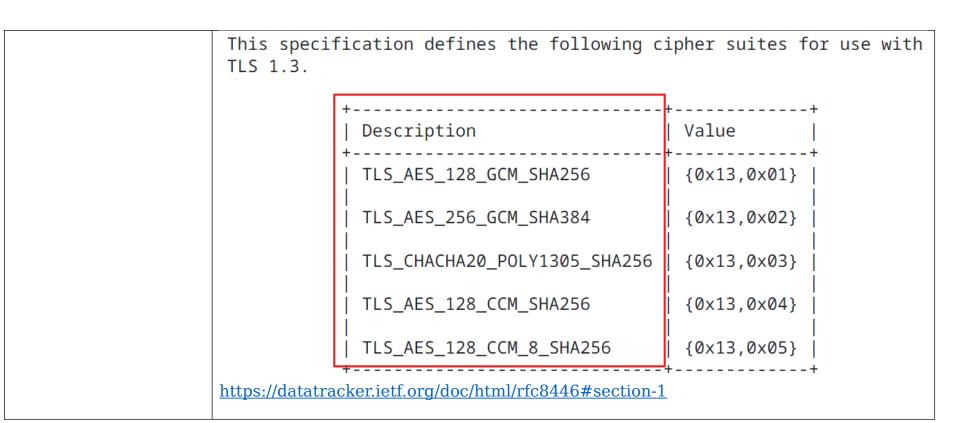
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The authenticated encryption operation has four inputs, each of which is an octet string:

A secret key K, which MUST be generated in a way that is uniformly random or pseudorandom.

A nonce N. Each nonce provided to distinct invocations of the Authenticated Encryption operation MUST be distinct, for any particular value of the key, unless each and every nonce is zero-length. Applications that can generate distinct nonces SHOULD use the nonce formation method defined in <a href="Section 3.2">Section 3.2</a>, and MAY use any other method that meets the uniqueness requirement. Other applications SHOULD use zero-length nonces.

A plaintext P, which contains the data to be encrypted and authenticated.

The associated data A, which contains the data to be authenticated, but not encrypted.

https://datatracker.ietf.org/doc/html/rfc5116

## 2.2. Authenticated Decryption

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48. The software system or computer program of claim 39, further translatable for associating a first Message Authentication Code

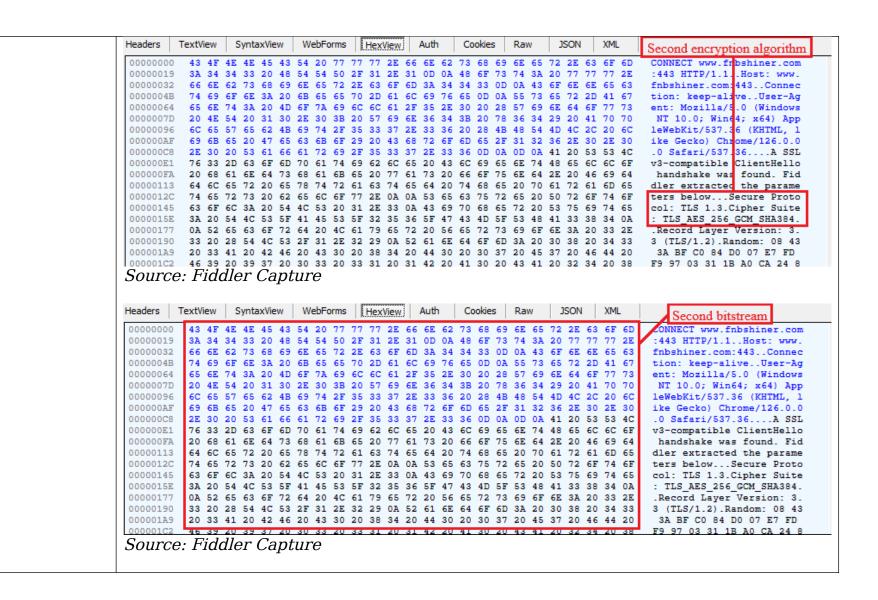
The standard practices associating a first Message Authentication Code (MAC) (e.g., message authentication code with hashing function) or first digital signature with each encrypted bit stream (e.g., encrypted bit stream with the signature encryption algorithm i.e., SHA256RSA, etc., and encrypted bitstream with the AEAD encryption algorithm i.e., TLS AES 256 GCM SHA384, etc.).

Code As shown below, the standard discloses a hashing function with each of the encryption

signature with each function. encrypted bit stream.

(MAC) or first digital algorithm. It performs a message authentication code with the utilized hashing

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h2, http/1.1
                                                         Digital certificate
          SignedCertTimestamp (RFC6962)
                           00 00 01 00 01 41 00 20 37 BE 5F 41 5F CD 6E 80 5D 7E 51 F8 A8 8F 06 10 42 9B A4 DD A0 BB 92 EC 51 1F 50 31 01 75 AF 42 00 90 4F
01 CA B8 6E DE E8 F0 49 C6 25 16 0B C4 DC CD 5A A5 C8 73 D6 8A D2 D7 C0 EE 18 52 FA FC B9 B5 9B 91 59 81 DD 60 04 CD 0D E0 5A 1F EF 6F B3 22 6F 5F F0 7C
36 98 AF DE 1B BE F8 80 68 57 30 64 F1 89 0E 45 3C B2 06 E3 F0 C1 05 04 C0 76 71 A1 AD B3 AC 8B C0 1E 65 35 BE 86 B9 3C E7 E2 9B 8E 24 DA C8 04 DC 03 D0
AC 31 D2 D2 6C 56 69 43 AF 1B FA F5 3A 68 AA 95 9C 77 FE B9 84 21 05 E8 B6 B1 54 70 FD A7 BE 0A 6F 33 94 CC 68 69 C7 D7 C5
         signature_algs ecdsa_secp256r1_sha256, rsa_pss_rsae_sha256, rsa_pkcs1_sha256, ecdsa_secp384r1_sha384, rsa_pss_rsae_sha384, rsa_pkcs1
 sha384, rsa pss rsae sha512, rea pkcs1 sha512
         status request OCSP - Implicit Respon
                                                        First encryption algorithm
         0x4469
                          00 03 02 68 32
         Session Ticket
         extended master secret
        psk_key_exchange_modes 01 01
         server name
                        www.fnbshiner.com
         renegotiation info 00
         supported_versions grease [0x8a8a], Tls1.3, Tls1.2
                           02 00 02
         0x001b
key_share 04 ED DA DA 00 01 00 63 99 04 C0 71 26 BB 96 2C 0A 54 4E DF 6C C1 0C 7A 90 A9 55 56 65 C5 89 63 DE B5 BD 59 BC BE 78 3E 49 BF
Source: Fiddler Capture
                          h2, http/1.1
         SignedCertTimestamp (RFC6962)
                           00 00 01 00 01 41 00 20 37 BE 5F 41 5F CD 6E B0 5D 7E 51 F8 A8 8F 06 10 42 9B A4 DD A0 BB 92 EC 51 1F 50 31 01 75 AF 42 00 90 4F
01 CA B8 6E DE E8 F0 49 C6 25 16 0B C4 DC CD 5A A5 C8 73 D6 8A D2 D7 C0 EE 18 52 FA FC B9 B5 9B 91 59 81 DD 60 04 CD 0D E0 5A 1F EF 6F B3 22 6F 5F F0 7C
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AC 31 D2 D2 6C 56 69 43 AF 1B FA F5 3A 68 AA 95 9C 77 FE B9 84 21 05 E8 B6 B1 54 70 FD A7 BE 0A 6F 33 94 CC 68 69 C7 D7 C5
          signature algs ecdsa secp256r1 sha256, rsa pss rsae sha256, rsa pkcs1 sha256, ecdsa secp384r1 sha384, rsa pss rsae sha384, rsa pkcs1
 sha384, rsa_pss_rsae_sha512, rec_pkcs1_sha512
status_request OCSP - Implicit Respon
                                                        First encryption algorithm
         0x4469
                          00 03 02 68 32
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                        www.fnbshiner.com
         server name
         renegotiation info 00
         supported_versions grease [0x8a8a], Tls1.3, Tls1.2
         0x001b
                           02 00 02
key share 04 ED DA DA 00 01 00 63 99 04 CO 71 26 BB 96 2C 0A 54 4E DF 6C C1 0C 7A 90 A9 55 56 65 C5 89 63 DE B5 BD 59 BC BE 78 3E 49 BF
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The list of supported symmetric encryption algorithms has been pruned of all algorithms that are considered legacy. Those that remain are all Authenticated Encryption with Associated Data (AEAD) algorithms. The cipher suite concept has been changed to separate the authentication and key exchange mechanisms from the record protection algorithm (including secret key length) and a hash to be used with both the key derivation function and handshake message authentication code (MAC).

https://datatracker.ietf.org/doc/html/rfc8446#section-4